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BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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Unsuccessful in apprehending Alvin Karpis, often referred to as Public Enemy No. 1, and former co-leader of the notorious Karpis-Barker gang which kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, the Department has offered \$5,000 reward for information leading to his capture.

\$2,500 for Campbell

In posting the rewards, Attorney General Cummings indicated Congress may be asked for additional money for this purpose in the future.

Beward for Nelson

Representative Patman (D.) of Texas, who sponsored the bill carrying the reward money, said he will offer similar legislation any time the Justice Department requests it.

With \$12,500 of the reward appropriation still unallocated, the department is considering cash offers for information regarding the whereabouts of William Mahan, wanted for kidnapping young George Weyerhaeuser at Tacoma, Wash., last year, and T. H. Robinson, ir abductor of Mrs. Berry Speed Stoll, of Louisville.

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Others indicted in St. Paul

St. Paul, April 22 (AP).—Climaxing two days of testimony by a dozen witnesses, a special Federal grand jury late today indicted seven persons, among them Alvin Karpis, on charges of participation in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, jr., brewing company head, June 15, 1933.

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By United Press

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Seven suspects in the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr. were named today in indictments charging violation of the Lindbergh law and conspiracy.

Alvain Karpis, co-leader with Arthur "Doc" Barker of the gang believed to have engineered the kidnaping in June, 1933, is the only suspect still at large.

Barker is serving a life sentence for the subsequent kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

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Want Outlaw Alive

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REWARD FOR KARPIS

Price Also on Head of His Pal

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ALVIN KARPIS
\$5,000 for His Capture
—International News Photo.

The Attorney General offered \$5,000 "for information furnished to a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation which results in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis," and \$2,500 for similar information leading to the arrest of Campbell.

Karpis was named Saturday as one of the plotters in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., St. Paul, Minn., brewer, in June, 1933.

Campbell is wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, under an indictment returned by a grand jury at St. Paul.

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U. S. Bids Public, Gangs And Cops to Hunt Karpis

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Justice department officials recalled that filling station attendants, landlords, bank clerks and other business people have often "turned the trick" on wanted criminals with tips to agents and police. Two East Chicago, Ind., policemen received \$5,000 for the information which led Federal agents across the trial of John Dillinger as he left a suburban theater in Chicago in the summer of 1934. No reward was paid in the Nelson case.

Karpis and Campbell are wanted for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul, banker, on January 17, 1934. Karpis Saturday was named with others in the \$100,000 kidnaping of another St. Paul citizen, William Hamm Jr., president of a brewing company, on June 15, 1933.

Karpis, last major survivor of the old Barker-Karpis gang, is described in Hoover's "wanted" circular as:

"Age, appears to be 25 or 26 years; height, 5 feet, 9 1/4 inches; weight, 135 pounds; build, slender; hair, brown; eyes, blue-gray; complexion, fair; marks, one inch cut scar lower knuckle left index finger."

Campbell's description:

"Age, 36 years; born, January 1, 1900, at McClintocville, Pa.; height, 5 feet, 5 inches; weight, 135 to 140 pounds; build, medium; hair, brown; eyes, blue; complexion, ruddy-medium; marks, scar corner left eye, vaccination scar upper left arm, lame in right leg; teeth, decayed."

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RAN WILD

IT took the federal grand jury but little time to vote two indictments charging seven men with participation in the \$100,000 Hamm kidnaping in 1933.

Included were a former postmaster of Bensenville, Ill., in whose home, it is alleged, Mr. Hamm was held prisoner and a former operator of a fashionable and high-class gambling establishment in St. Paul—the Hollyhocks on Mississippi River blvd.—who is charged with being the “fingerman” in the abduction.

These men are held under \$100,000 bond for court appearance. Another St. Paulite, engaged in the liquor business, is held under \$1,000 as a material witness.

As the plot is unfolded by the federal agents it becomes more amazing and answers some of the questions asked even after the conviction of the Bremer kidnapers.

These have to do, principally, with the local participants in these abductions. In almost every case of this kind there has to be some local co-operation. What this was has not been indicated until now.

Even more astonishing is the fact that such congregations of gangsters could remain here without the knowledge of the police—and repeat such lucrative kidnapings within such a short space of time and with such impunity.

It is a wonder they didn't kidnap the chief of police or take the police station. No doubt they didn't want either.

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Release Of Peiffer On Bond Sought

Counsel Plans Effort To
Have \$100,000 Bail
Reduced; Indict Seven
In Hamm Kidnaping.

With seven persons named in two indictments in the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer, efforts were being made today by Archie M. Carey, Minneapolis attorney, to obtain release of John P. (Jack) Peiffer, St. Paul nightclub operator.

Bond for Peiffer was set at \$100,000, but Mr. Carey said that he would attempt to have the amount reduced and that if he is unsuccessful, he will seek to raise the entire bail asked.

With the Hamm case disposed of, the grand jury today commenced consideration of evidence against members of an alleged northwest alcohol ring, which federal agents claim they smashed 10 days ago with raids on several Minneapolis stills. St. Paul cosmetics firms were linked with the alleged ring by government alcohol tax unit agents.

One indictment charges four men with kidnap conspiracy in the Hamm

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abduction; the other charges nine persons, two of them deceased, with the actual snatch. Those named in the first bill are Alvin Karpovics, alias Alvin Karpis, fugitive on whose head a \$5,000 price rests; Byron Bolton, awaiting sentence in the Ramsey county jail for the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping; Arthur (Doc) Barker, serving life in Alcatraz for the Bremer kidnaping; Charles J. Fitzgerald, Los Angeles, held here in the Hamm case.

The true bills charge that the \$100,000 Hamm "squeeze" was plotted at "Idlewild" cottage on Bald Eagle lake, rented by Barker-Karpis mobsters during the early spring of 1933.

The first bill charges that Karpis and Bolton drove the kidnap automobile, a Hudson sedan, from the Bald Eagle cottage to a point near the Theodore Hamm Brewing Co.; that Barker and Fitzgerald got out of the car, accosted Mr. Hamm, forced him into the machine; that Bolton, Barker and Karpis drove Mr. Hamm to a hideout in Bensenville, Ill., which the government contends was the home of Edward C. Bartholmey, former Bensenville postmaster.

Charged with the actual abduction,

although no overt acts or specific details are included in the true bill, are Peiffer, Bartholmey, Fitzgerald, Elmer Farmer, now serving a 20-year term in Leavenworth for the Bremer snatch; Doc Barker, Karpis, Bolton and the late Fred Barker and William Goetz, alias Shotgun Zeigler.

Each indictment carries a maximum penalty of life imprisonment. Bonds Set At \$100,000.

Peiffer, Bartholmey and Fitzgerald were removed to Ramsey county jail immediately after the true bills had been returned. Bond in each case was set at \$100,000. Peiffer is scheduled to be arraigned in federal court today. Bartholmey already has pleaded not guilty to the charge with the privilege of changing his plea. It is indicated that, like Bolton, he will turn state's evidence. Fitzgerald's arraignment date has not been set as yet.

Immediately after the indictments had been returned Morris Roisner, held by federal agents since last Friday as a material witness, was released on \$1,000 bail.

Isabel Borne, Mankato woman who is said to be Fitzgerald's sweetheart, and held as a material witness, is expected to be released on bail today. Like Roisner she appeared before the grand jury Wednesday.

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Mr. Bartholmey
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Farmer
Mr. Barker
Mr. Karpis
Mr. Bolton
Mr. Goetz
Mr. Zeigler
Mr. Roisner
Miss Borne

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HAMM KIDNAP SUSPECTS TO FACE TRIAL IN NOVEMBER

Trial of at least six of the seven persons indicted in the William Hamm, Jr. kidnaping will start Nov. 3.

That was indicated late today when the United States district attorney permitted the release of Isabel Born, former Mankato girl and alleged sweetheart of Charles Fitzgerald, Los Angeles, one of the indicted, on \$2,000 bond. She was ordered to appear in federal court Nov. 3, when it is believed that trial of the defendants will begin.

Five of the other indicted persons are in custody, while the seventh, Alvin Karpis, still is at large.

In its final report late today the federal grand jury, which Wednesday returned the indictments against the six men, rounded up last week, returned several secret indictments against persons in the alleged northwest alcohol ring it had investigated.

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PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER
April 23, 1936.

SET PRICE ON KARPIS

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U. S. Offers Reward Of \$5,000 for Karpis

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U. S. puts price on his head. Justice Department agents, worth \$2,500 to any one with information leading to his arrest.

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KARPIS 'VALUE' PUT AT \$5,000

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The Federal Government raised Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, mid-West desperadoes, to the public enemy class in which it placed John Dillinger and "Baby Face" Nelson, by putting a price on their heads.

Notices spread over the nation by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, offered \$5,000 for information leading to the capture of Karpis, co-leader of the notorious Barker-Karpis gang, and \$2,500 for similar information on Campbell.

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The department is authorized to offer the rewards under an act of Congress.

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REWARD FOR KARPIS

\$5,000 Up for Public Enemy No. 1

ST. PAUL, April 22 (US).—Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, on whose head the Federal Government today placed a price of \$5,000, was indicted tonight with six alleged members of his gang of outlaws for the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer, whose abduction in 1933 startled the nation.

A Federal Grand Jury returned indictments on two kidnaping and conspiracy counts after Hamm recounted his story and G-men gave their solution of the crime.

With the long-sought fugitive desperado were named:

BYRON BOLTON, gunman, whose testimony at two previous trials sent seven Karpis mobsters to jail for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

CHARLES J. FITZGERALD, alleged bank bandit arrested a few weeks ago in Los Angeles.

JACK PFEIFFER, St. Paul night club operator.

EDWARD C. BARTHOLMEY, former postmaster of Bensenville, Ill., whose home was used according to the G-men, as the kidnap hideout.

ARTHUR BARKER and EL-

MER FARMER, gangsters serving prison terms for the Bremer abduction.
Bartholmey, Pfeiffer and Fitzgerald were held in lieu of \$100,000 bond.

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REWARD POSTED FOR KARPIS, PAL

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Cummings offered \$5,000 "for information furnished to a representative of the federal bureau of investigation which results in apprehension of Alvin Karpis," and \$2,500 for similar information leading to the arrest of Campbell.

The rewards were offered in special "wanted" pictures of each of the outlaws.

Karpis was named Saturday as one of the plotters in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., St. Paul, Minn., brewer, in June, 1933.

He had previously been sought in connection with the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, on Jan. 17, 1934.

Campbell also is wanted for the kidnaping of Bremer.

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U.S. INDICTS KARPIS

7 Gangsters Cited in Hamm Kidnaping

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THE KANSAS CITY TIES KANSAS CITY MISSOURI APRIL 23, 1936.

KARPIS IS INDICTED

Six Others Also Accused in the
\$100,000 Kidnaping of Wil-
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PUBLIC ENEMY AT LARGE

With a \$5,000 Price on His Head,
He Is Only One Named by
Grand Jury Who Is Free.

BAIL OF \$100,000 FOR THREE

Bensonville, Ill., Ex-Postmaster
Is One of the Defendants in
the Bremer's Abduction.

(By the Associated Press.)

ST. PAUL, MINN., April 22—Seven persons were indicted by a federal grand jury today, four days after the department of justice announced solution of the June, 1933, kidnaping of William Hamm, jr., brewing company head.

Only one of the seven—Alvin Karpis, America's Public Enemy No. 1—was still at large. The department of justice today offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to his apprehension.

Among those indicted were three men whose arrests last week preceded the department of justice's "solution" announcement, which also disclosed Hamm was kidnapped by the same gang which six months later seized Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, and held him 21 days for \$200,000 ransom.

Hamm was held four days and paid \$100,000 for his release.

ARRANGEMENT FOR TODAY

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Named in Fatal Pardon.

While the grand jury was considering the Hamm case, Harold E. Stassen, South St. Paul, Dakota County attorney, named Fitzgerald as the "signal man" in the South St. Paul pay roll robbery August 30, 1933, when a patrolman was killed. Stassen named members of the Barker-Karpis gang as companions of Fitzgerald in the \$30,000 robbery.

Principal witnesses before the grand jury were Bolton, who was the government's star witness in trials which resulted in conviction of Barker and several others in the Bremer abduction; Bartholmey, who waived immunity; William W. Dunn, who delivered the ransom money preceding the release of Hamm; Sam Tanaka, Japanese butler for Peifer; a Japanese cook for Karpis, and the kidnap victim himself.

Mrs. Ella Dorne, who admitted she lived with Fitzgerald for several years in Chicago and other cities, and Morris Roisner, St. Paul liquor store owner, seized as material witnesses, also appeared before the grand jury. Roisner was released late today on \$1,000 bail.

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Bail for Three \$100,000 Each

On motion of George Heisey, assistant United States district attorney, bail for Fitzgerald, Peifer and Bartholmey was set at \$100,000 each.

Two indictments were voted against the seven men—one charging conspiracy to kidnap and the other transportation of a kidnaped person in interstate commerce. Under the law, conviction carries a penalty ranging up to life imprisonment, the terms being discretionary with the court.

Another development today was disclosure by federal agents that Karpis and Fred and "Ma" Barker occupied a house in White Bear Lake, near here, a short time before Hamm was kidnaped. Fred and "Ma" Barker were slain by federal agents in Florida more than a year ago.

One indictment alleges that the actual kidnaping was perpetrated by Karpis, Doc Barker, Fitzgerald, Bolton, Fred Barker and Fred C. Goetz, better known as "Shotgun Ziegler," now dead.

Karpis the Car Driver.

It was learned that Karpis was the driver of the car the day Hamm was kidnaped and that Doc Barker assisted Fitzgerald, according to the indictment, in shoving the brewer into their car.

It was believed the defendants would be held over until the fall term of court on the theory that Karpis might be captured and could be placed on trial at the same time.

Harry Campbell, lieutenant of Karpis, who is under indictment in the Bremer kidnaping, was not mentioned in the new indictments. He still is at large.

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INDIANAPOLIS STAR
April 23, 1936

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HELENA DAILY INDEPENDENT

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THE DENVER ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS
Denver, Colorado
April 23, 1936

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\$2,500 Also Is Posted for Harry Campbell, Pal of Hamm Kidnap Suspect

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Karpis is the last major survivor of the old Barker-Karpis gang.

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Cummings Offers \$5,000 Reward for Tip That Will Lead to Arrest of Alvin Karpis

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES. 4-22-36

WASHINGTON, April 22. — A price of \$5,000 was put today on the head of Alvin Karpis, rated as "Public Enemy No. 1" by Attorney General Cummings.

The Department of Justice offered the reward for information that would lead to the arrest of Karpis, who is wanted for the kidnapping of Edward Bremer of St. Paul.

At the same time a reward of \$2,500 was offered for similar information relative to Harry Campbell, also one of the Bremer kidnapers, who has been indicted in St. Paul.

Only twice heretofore have Federal rewards of such large sums been offered in the chase for Federal fugitives. For the arrest of John Dillinger \$10,000 was offered and \$5,000 was offered in addition for information leading to his arrest. Dillinger was shot to death by Federal agents.

The Department of Justice also offered rewards for the capture of Lester M. Gillis, known as Baby Face Nelson. He was killed in the South by State officers.

Explaining why the word "capture" was omitted from the reward notices pertaining to Karpis and Campbell, the Attorney General ex-

plained that a reward for capture might cause bungling by persons intent on capture rather than on giving information that would lead to arrest.

"We prefer to take all of these people alive and statements made to the contrary from time to time are untrue," said Mr. Cummings. He indicated that should the \$25,000 reward fund appropriated by Congress become exhausted he might ask for an additional appropriation.

By The Associated Press.

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3,000 Masons at "Family Night."
 More than 3,000 Masons and their families last night attended the annual "Family Night" party of the Al Sifat Grotto at Masonic Temple. Drills by the Grotto patrol, a Grotto band concert, vaudeville, motion pictures and dancing were provided by the entertainment committee of which E. C. Willson is chairman. Monarch William A. Williams presided.

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U. S. PUTS UP KARPIS REWARD

Uncle Sam turned the heat on Alvin Karpis, hunted killer and kidnaper, yesterday. He named him legal heir to the John Dillinger role—Public Enemy No. 1—and offered \$5,000 for his capture.

He also started a flood of "WANTED—DEAD or ALIVE" posters all over the country, and if history repeats itself, the money will get him. It got Dillinger.

Officially the announcement came from Attorney General Cummings, who said the money would be for "information furnished the federal bureau of investigation," which means the G-men.

He tossed in a second reward of \$2,500 for the capture of the desperado's pal and companion, "Limping" Harry Campbell.

To the charges on which Karpis is sought was formally added yesterday two indictments charging him, with six others, of participating in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm. The indictments were returned by the federal grand jury at St. Paul just four days after G-men had announced the case "cleaned up."

Karpis is the only one of the seven not in custody. The others indicted included Edmund C. Bartholmey, former Bensenville, Ill., postmaster, in whose home Hamm was kept prisoner; John Pfeiffer, St. Paul club operator, and Charles Fitzgerald, an ex-convict. The other three named are serving prison terms for other kidnapings.

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U. S. Offers \$5000 for Karpis, G-Men Seek 'Shooting Distance'

St. Paul Jury Indicts Public Enemy and Six Others In Hamm Kidnaping; Senate Refuses to Cut Bureau's Appropriation

Washington, April 22 (UP).—The government turned the "heat" full blast today on America's No. 1 public enemy, Alvin Karpis, whom G-men consider the most desperate kidnap-gangster still at large.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, mailed thousands of descriptive posters throughout the country offering \$5000 to anyone who will give him "information which results in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis."

A companion poster offered \$2500 reward for Harry Campbell, wanted with Karpis as a member of the kidnap-bandit gang that terrorized the Midwest.

There was no "information leading to conviction" catch to the reward offers. All the department of justice wants, is to be told where its agents can get within handcuffing or shooting distance of the two desperadoes. And it will pay for that information. It believes it has enough evidence to convict them of taking part in at least two major kidnapings—those of Edward G. Bremer and William A. Hamm, Jr.

in St. Paul in 1934. Federal agents are ineligible for the reward money.

Jury Indicts Seven
A federal grand jury at St. Paul Minn., returned indictments against seven men in connection with the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., wealthy brewer. Charges were made under the Lindbergh law and conspiracy to kidnap. Indicted are: Edward Bartholmey, Bensenville, Ill., postmaster; John K. Peiffer, St. Paul; Bryan Bolton, former Chicago gangster; Charles Fitzgerald, Los Angeles; Elmer Farmer, Bensenville, Ill.; Arthur (Doc) Barker, co-leader of the Barker-Karpis gang, and Karpis.

Senate Backs G-Men
Meanwhile the Senate quickly came to the defense of Hoover and the G-men by defeating a proposal to cut \$225,000 from the appropriation for the Bureau of Federal Investigation.

The proposal was sponsored by Sen. Kenneth McKellar, Democrat, Tenn., who was revealed in recent sub-committee testimony to have criticized the activities of Hoover severely.

The Senate refused to reduce a \$6,025,000 appropriation for Hoover's department.

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7 PERSONS INDICTED- IN HAMM KIDNAPING

Of St Paul Defendants
Only Karpis Is Free

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Only one of the seven—Alvin Karpis, America's Public Enemy No. 1—was still at large.

Among those indicted were three men whose arrests last week preceded the Department of Justice's announcement, which also disclosed Hamm was kidnaped by the same gang which six months later seized Edward G. Bremer, St Paul banker, and held him 21 days for \$200,000 ransom. Hamm was held four days and paid \$100,000 for his release.

Dist Atty George F. Sullivan said John Peifer, St Paul night club proprietor, would be arraigned today, but that he was uncertain when three others held here would be brought into court on the indictments.

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Government Posts Reward for Karpis

Washington, April 23—(INS)—Augmenting machine guns and pistols with a supply of ready cash, the Department of Justice today intensified its efforts to ensnare a number of desperadoes who have eluded capture for many months. For information resulting in the capture of Alvin Karpis, often referred to as public enemy No. 1, and former co-leader of the Karpis - Barker gang which kidnapped Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, the department has offered \$5,000. Another \$2,500 was placed on the head of Harry Campbell, a Karpis lieutenant.

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"Bring 'Em Back Alive"

That dead men tell no tales is an obvious fact; and that a gangster in jail is worth more to the police than a gangster in a coffin also is pretty sound reasoning. Accordingly, it was worth noting when J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal agents, recently told a Senate committee that his men "never been issued orders to shoot to kill a man when he could be taken alive."

More noteworthy still is the statement in Washington today that makes this policy official. Attorney General Homer S. Cummings, in announcing rewards for the capture of the leaders of the Karpis gang, said:

We prefer to take these people alive. That's always been our purpose, and all statements to the contrary are false.

This should definitely put an end to talk about shooting to kill, shooting on sight, dead or alive, etc. Its logic is obvious. What the police have always known is that a criminal captured alive usually can be made to talk, thus providing officials with information leading to the arrest of other criminals involved.

Plugging a criminal will stop his activities forever, but it will not stop the rest of his gang. If he is brought back alive, the chances are that his confederates also will be captured.

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G-MEN HUNT KARPIS AS KIDNAPER

Public Enemy And Kidnaper Is Reported Near Quincy

**Boston Force Goes on
Secret Mission Heavily
Armed**

\$5,000 on Karpis Head

**Only Member of Midwest
Gang Still at
Large**

Boston, - April 24 (P).—All available men in the U. S. Bureau of Investigation office at Boston left today on an unannounced mission.

The Boston Traveler said Alvin Karpis, wanted in connection with kidnaping of Edward

G. Bremer and William Hamm, Jr., both of St. Paul, for ransom totaling \$300,000, was reported in Quincy 10 days ago.

The story also said Massachusetts and Rhode Island state police had sought Karpis near the Narragansett race track April 19 on a tip the notorious kidnaper had been seen there.

The paper said agents bound for their unannounced destination were equipped with machine guns, shotguns, tear gas bombs and bullet-proof vests.

Karpis has been the object of a nationwide search for two years. He shot his way to freedom last year at Atlantic City, N. J., where authorities tried to trap him.

J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal bureau of investigation, recently announced a \$5,000 reward for the capture of Karpis, who, Hoover said, was the only member of the gang at large.

Last week Federal agents arrested three men, including the former postmaster of Bensenville, Ill., in connection with Hamm's kidnaping in June of 1933. Hamm, agents said, had identified the postmaster's house as that in which he was held for four days pending the payment of \$100,000 ransom.

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FEDERAL AGENTS SEEK ALVIN KARPIS IN THE BAY STATE

All Available Men in U. S. Bureau of Investigation Office at Boston in Hunt.

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GANGSTERS EVERYWHERE

REVELATION that the Barker-Karpis gang occupied a comfortable cottage at Bald Eagle lake while they carried out the Hamm kidnaping is further evidence of the blindness of our law authorities of that period.

This time the buck seems to be passed to the sheriff then in charge, though the real responsibility for not knowing what was going on rests with the St. Paul police who are supposed to keep check on such underworld developments.

In any event these kidnapers sat in comfort on the front porch of their lakeside cottage, waiting for the Hamm "contact" man to drive past at 20 miles an hour with the ransom. Could anything be softer?

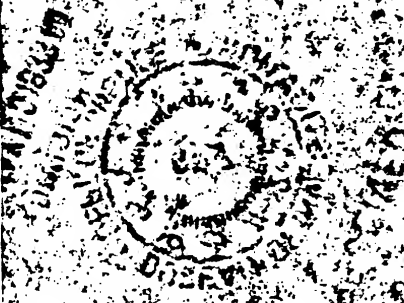
All in all this community seems to have been pretty well populated with gangsters and thugs in those days. They lived on Lexington ave., Vernon ave., Grand ave., at White Bear and Bald Eagle lakes that we now know of. But not so much on St. Peter st.

If our police had been busier finding out what was going on instead of protecting gambling games and vice resorts, they might have learned that the elite of gangdom was in our midst.

Or perhaps they did know the "heavies" were about. At any rate they treated Tommy Carroll most considerately when he inadvertently fell into the hands of an honest policeman while drunk. He was released and his weapons and ammunition returned so he could pursue his chosen work, robbing banks and shooting officers of the law.

There is no alibi for this kind of police inefficiency and corruption. It is just plain rotten.

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Minneapolis Journal

Alvin Karpis Again "Seen" In Twin Cities

Alvin Karpis again was reported seen in the Twin Cities today. It was the second time within a few days that Public Enemy No. 1—or his "double"—was sighted. A telephone informant told St. Paul police he was sure he sighted Karpis in Minneapolis in an automobile and followed him into St. Paul, down Pelham street to Raymond avenue, and onto St. Anthony avenue. There the informant, who refused to give his name, said he lost the trail. He gave the license number of the sedan. Police traced it to a Rochester, Minn., man, and were checking to see if it had been stolen.

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Deny Coercion in Karpis Aide Case

Statements of Joseph H. Adams and Henry Randall made to special agents of the United States department of justice in connection with the visit of Alvin Karpis, public enemy

No. 1, to Miami in January, 1935, were entirely voluntary and given without promise of reward, immunity from arrest, or threat of bodily harm, it was stated yesterday in an answer filed in U. S. District court by Walter L. Barlow, special assistant to the attorney general, and John W. Holland, U. S. district attorney, for Florida. The answer was to a motion asking that evidence against Randall and Adams be suppressed.

Adams and Randall, through their attorney, Bart A. Riley, last week filed motions to suppress the evidence against them, claiming it was obtained, in the case of Adams by false and fraudulent means and promise of immunity from arrest, and in the case of Randall, by threats.

In a four-count answer as to Adams, the answer denied all the allegations in the motion, reasserted the statements given were voluntary, and not due to promise or compulsion or promise of freedom from arrest. The answer further alleges that after Adams had been released on bond, he came to see Barlow and in the presence of two special agents, reaffirmed his previous statements.

The answer to Randall's motion contained nine counts that admitted Randall was held in the Alcazar hotel for five days, but stated he was held in the hotel at his own wishes and that he was offered the option of going before

a H. S. commissioner or being committed to Dade county jail.

Concerning his stay in the hotel and his treatment there, the answer admits that he was handcuffed to the bed at night, but only because the agents in the room with him had to get some rest. There was no unnecessary display of guns, and Randall was only guarded once with a machine gun, at the time when it was thought the Karpis gang would attempt a rescue.

It was necessary to keep the door locked and the room guarded because the agents were investigating a dangerous criminal, the answer alleged. Randall was permitted to go to the dining room of the hotel for meals, and was given the option of having them delivered in his room.

The answer asks the court to deny both motions. Arguments on the motions before Judge A. J. Long are scheduled to be held tomorrow morning. The case is set for trial May 25.

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Miami Tribune

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From the Jacksonville (Florida) Journal of
April 24, 1936

DENY FORCEFUL G-MEN TACTICS

Lawyers Reply to Alleged Karpis Harborers

(By The Associated Press)
MIAMI, April 24—Government attorneys denied federal agents used force in obtaining statements from two men charged with harboring Alvin Karpis during his stay in Florida in an answer filed in federal court.

Joseph H. Adams, hotel and race track manager, and Henry Randall, track employee, charged with harboring the hunted gangster, recently filed proceedings designed to prevent their statements to department of justice men from being used as evidence at the trial.

Randall claimed his statement was made against his will when agents threatened him with machine guns. Adams said his statement was made on promise he would not be arrested.

Assistant United States Attorney General Walter L. Barlow and District Attorney John W. Holland denied Randall was threatened with machine guns and said the firearms were present because the federal men were after "a dangerous criminal (Karpis) who on numerous occasions had shot his way out of traps set by officers."

They said Adams made his statement voluntarily after a warning it would be used against him. The trial of Adams, also charged with violating the national firearms act by handling a Karpis machine gun, is set for the week of May 25.

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THE GADSDEN TIMES,
Gadsden, Alabama,
April 24, 1936.

Top Targets



NO. 1—ALVIN KARPIS
Tops desperado "wanted" list.



NO. 2—WILLIAM MAHAN
Staged skillful vanishing act.



NO. 3—T. H. ROBINSON, JR.
Amateur dabbler in big crime.

These three "most wanted" abduction suspects are targets of G-men in a renewed nation-wide hunt, spurred by the reported solution of the William A. Hamm, Jr., kidnaping. This crime and the Bremer kidnaping are laid to the shattered Barker-Karpis gang, of which Karpis now is the only one at large, with \$5,000 reward offered for his capture. Mahan is wanted on a charge of abducting little George Weyerhaeuser, Tacoma, Wash., lumber heir. Robinson has evaded pursuit since the 1934 kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll, Louisville, Ky.

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G-MEN HINTED ON TRAIL OF KARPIS IN BOSTON

Boston, Mass., April 24.—(P)—All available men in the United States bureau of investigation office here left today on an unannounced mission. Reports indicated they left heavily armed and in automobiles.

The Boston Traveler said Alvin Karpis, wanted in connection with kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm Jr., both of St. Paul, for ransom totaling \$300,000, was reported in near-by Quincy ten days ago.

The story also said Massachusetts and Rhode Island police had sought Karpis near the Narragansett race track April 19 following a tip.

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7-576-A CHICAGO DAILY NEWS
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All Boston G-Men, Armed to Teeth, Sent Out to Trail Karpis

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The story also said Massachusetts and Rhode Island State police had sought Karpis near the Narragansett Racetrack Sunday on a tip the notorious kidnaper had been seen there.

Agents bound for their unannounced destination today were equipped with machine guns, shotguns, tear gas bombs and bullet-proof vests, the paper said.

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Karpis Is Hunted in New England by U. S. Agents

**"Enemy No. 1" Reported Seen
in Quincy — All Boston
G-Men Join Chase**

Search for Alvin Karpis, fugitive kidnaper and Public Enemy No. 1, centered in New England today, it was unofficially reported at the Federal building.

Seven agents, heavily armed, left Boston in three automobiles at 9 A. M., presumably for New Hampshire, and had not returned late this afternoon. Five others were reported to have departed in two other machines.

Clarence W. McKean, New England Department of Justice chief, would make no comment on the unprecedented action of sending all his men out.

Karpis, wanted in St. Paul in connection with the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., and the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer a year ago, was reported to have been in Quincy about ten days ago. Federal agents found no trace of him.

Karpis was an associate of "Mother" Barker, head of a gang of kidnapers, highwaymen and murderers, whose career ended in January, 1935, when Department of Justice agents shot her dead after she had turned a machine gun on them in an Ozark Mountains farmhouse. Her son, Fred, was killed with her.

About a week later, Karpis and Harry Campbell, another member of the gang, abducted Dr. H. H. Hunsicker in his automobile near Philadelphia and took him to Wadsworth, O.

A few days before, the pair shot their way out of an Atlantic City hotel only partly dressed.

Karpis is the last free member of the gang accused in the Bremer kidnaping.

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Boston Evening Transcript
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P. E. JOSEPH

G-Men Hunt For Targets, Not Karpis

Out of the Federal Building a dozen G-men trundled themselves today, toting rifles and sub-machine guns.

Great was the confusion round and about, and many rumors.

Well the phones burned and the presses rumbled and editions of Boston evening newspapers—not the Boston Evening American, however—slewed out into the streets with great headlines.

"Dozen G-Men Hunt Karpis in Bay State" was the gist of these great headlines, and the stories went on to say that the G-Men had "secret information" that Karpis had been seen in the vicinity and the like.

Now this same tip that a dozen G-Men had left the Federal Building with rifles and sub-machine guns and had driven away in cars came to the Boston Evening American, with the idea suggested that this might be a Karpis hunt.

However, as the Boston Evening American has the habit of printing news and not unsupported rumors, this newspaper did a little checking and discovered the true story of the G-men exodus.

They were out at the rifle range in Wakefield, drilling targets with their rifles and sub-machine guns and having a very enjoyable time.

The range practice is a monthly affair for the G-Men, and is what would be called in school a "required subject", on which they are marked.

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SQUAD RUSHED FROM BOSTON ON SECRET TIP

**Western Outlaw, "Public Enemy No. 1,"
Again Reported Seen in This Area—
Federal Agents Armed with Shot
Guns and Tear Gas Speed to Scene in
Three Autos.**

Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1 and notorious kidnaper, is being sought somewhere in Massachusetts by a dozen heavily armed G-men today.

Acting on secret information, Clarence D. McKean, chief of the G-men in the New England area, dispatched three speedy automobiles from the federal building to an unannounced destination early today.

REPORTED SEEN HERE

From a reliable source it was learned that the notorious western outlaw, upon whose head there is \$5000 or more, has been seen in these parts recently. It was only about 10 days ago that Karpis, designated Public Enemy No. 1 by the department of justice, was reported seen in Quincy.

McKean refused to discuss where the G men went or whom they were after, but it was learned that he was acting on information ob-

tained from one of three kidnapers who was captured in the West last week. The G men are armed with shot guns, rifles and tear gas, and all are equipped with bullet-proof vests.

It was in the early hours this morning that McKean arrived in Boston from his Needham home and quickly summoned all available men. Acting with unusual speed, the G men took their places in the three cars and, after being in-

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DESPERADO SOUGHT HERE



ALVIN KARPIS
G-men sought him in Boston today.

KARPIS HUNTED IN BAY STATE

Big Squad of G-Men Sent To Unannounced Destination

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structed by McKean, raced away to their unannounced destination.

Karpis was first reported seen in Quincy two months ago. Two agents hurried to Quincy, but if the western outlaw was there he slipped through their hands. For several days, the agents concentrated in Quincy, but finally abandoned the job. Then again, about 10 days ago, the outstanding gangster of the country was reported seen in Quincy.

REPORTED AT TRACK

Only Monday of this week Karpis was reported at the Narragansett race track. State troopers from Massachusetts and Rhode Island made an investigation, but could not discover the most-wanted gangster.

While Karpis was being sought at the track, a Boston lawyer who is known to have represented a Karpis lieutenant at one time was under constant surveillance.

Department of Justice agents have staged many sensational raids in various sections of the United States in their relentless pursuit of Karpis. In each case they acted upon tips supposedly supplied by members of the underworld who would have Karpis, whom they fear, obliterated in the same manner as John Dillinger and others.

In Topeka, Kan.; Dallas, Tex., and a score of other big cities, the thug has been reported seen. But in no case has he been reported seen by any person who knew or was acquainted with him.

McKean is believed to have obtained information concerning Karpis from one of three men arrested last week for the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., but the New England chief of the G-men declined to make any statement whatever concerning the activities of his agents.

Department of justice officials declared shortly after the arrests of the three men that Karpis was one of the perpetrators of the Hamm kidnaping. Those arrested for the Hamm kidnaping were Charles J. Fitzgerald, in Los Angeles, Jack Pfeiffer, in St. Paul and Edward C. Bartholmey in Bensenville, Ill.

The G-men carried a virtual arsenal as they sped away from the Federal building. It was reported, but could not be confirmed, that the agents rushed to the New Hampshire border line.

R. E. JOSEPH

APRIL 24, 1936

MYSTERY PAIR IN HAMM KIDNAPING

Officials Refuse To Give Identity Of Couple

ST. PAUL —(P)— Two "mystery witnesses"—a man and a woman—were brought to the department of justices here late Thursday for questioning in connection with the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., St. Paul brewer.

Federal agents refused to reveal identity of the two. Both were said to be acquaintances of Charles (Big Fitz) Fitzgerald, one of seven persons indicted by a federal grand jury as participants in the abduction.

As they sat alongside a federal agent in the department of justice offices, waiting to be grilled, they discussed Mrs. Isabel Born, a material witness, who was released on \$2,000 bond. Mrs. Born, who resides near Mankato, is a friend of Fitzgerald.

Archie M. Cary, counsel for John Felfer, St. Paul, one of the seven indicted, said he intended to file an affidavit in federal court Thursday seeking reduction in the \$100,000 bail demanded by the government.

Felfer, when informed of the indictment, charged it was "a frame-up" and denied any connection or knowledge of the kidnaping.

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St Paul Daily News
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Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, Was Sure An Honest Guy To His Bald Eagle Neighbors



—Daily News Photo.

Idlewild, the house at Bald Eagle Lake, where Barker-Karpis gangsters hung out before and after the Hamm kidnaping.

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Alvin Karpis, the nation's most desperate criminal, according to J. Edgar Hoover No. 1 G-man, may be all that he is said to be but to his Bald Eagle neighbors, with whom he lived for more than two months in 1933 he is an honest guy.

But 15 minutes ahead of police and federal government authorities who were closing on him, Karpis took time out to pay the newsboy, the corner grocer, the garbage collector and when one of the neighbors refused to accept money for the iceman—not knowing as to what the bill might be—Karpis took time off to drive the half mile or so to the ice company's offices to pay.

All Modern Conveniences.

Definitely established by federal government authorities that for weeks before the William Hamm snatch, for which he has been indicted, and for some time after, Karpis and his kidnaping playmates made their home at Idlewild, a seven-room cottage a block and a half off highway No. 61—the same highway which the mobsters instructed William Dunn, payoff man in the Hamm snatch, to travel on when the \$100,000 ransom was paid on the night of June 19, 1933.

The cottage with all the modern conveniences and two-car garage is on E. Bald Eagle Lake and Tyler aves., and the mobsters are alleged to have paid \$250 for the season's rental to Alex Premo, 1098 S. Robert st., owner.

It was "some time" in May, 1933, that the man known only as Mr. Smith to Mr. Premo paid \$250 in cash. It was the latter part of June that the party left.

No Complaints.

When the rental agreement was made Mr. Premo warned his new tenant that there was to be no rough stuff and, according to Mr. Premo, the tenant lived up to the agreement.

"I received no complaints from

the neighbors of any unusual activities in the cottage," Mr. Premo said. "After they moved out a woman moved in, but she stayed only a short time. She was followed by the late Mrs. Rose Harper and she in turn was followed by Morris Rolsner" (questioned by federal government officials as a material witness in the Hamm kidnaping).

Mr. Premo failed to identify any of the Karpis-Barker gang pictures shown him by federal bureau of investigation agents.

Mrs. C. W. Lindholm, living across Taylor ave. from the Idlewild, has a clear view of the surroundings from her living room window.

Held Large Parties.

"About the time of the Hamm kidnaping we had a death in the family and my attention was distracted from the cottage," she said. "But we did notice that whoever was in the house held large parties and drove large cars."

"We noticed the parties because those people would park their automobiles on our lawn and at times made a lot of noise."

E. L. Pardee, general passenger agent for the Omaha road, lives next door to the Idlewild, which was occupied by Alvin Karpis, "Doc" Barker, Byron Bolton and their women while they plotted and executed the Hamm kidnaping.

Quiet As Mice.

Mr. Pardee said he does not move to his cottage until after school, in June. Surprised to hear that the Barker-Karpis gang was living next door he said, "If they were there they were as quiet as mice."

"Although my view of the rear of the cottage is obstructed by a large water tank, pumping house and garage, I would have noticed the occupants if they were living there at the time and moving around the grounds, especially on the front lawn, but I didn't see a soul around the place," he said.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat,
St. Louis, Mo.,
4-25-36.

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*Disloyal
Employee or Press?*

Karpis, Tipped Off by Disloyal U. S. Employee, Flees Trap

Public Enemy No. 1 Re-
ported Warned of Ap-
proaching Raid.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE GLOBE-DEMOCRAT.

BOSTON, MASS., April 24. — A "tip" from a disloyal federal employe today allowed either Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1 from the West, or one of the Chelsea payroll robbers to slip through the hands of a band of heavily armed G-men somewhere in Greater Boston.

"Whether Karpis was around here or not, he certainly would have been flushed out long ~~before~~ we could reach him," declared Clarence D. McKean, leader of the New England Division of the G-Men, in revealing the "leak." "We'll get the fellow who tipped off everybody and he'll be fired out of here on the spot."

Hardly had McKean led three motor ~~car~~ loads of G-men, armed with high-powered rifles and machine guns, out of the Federal Building basement at 9:30 a. m., today, than it became known that Karpis was being hunted not far from Boston.

McKean became enraged to find the movements of his men had become common knowledge. He enlisted the aid of John J. Breslin, chief ~~postal~~ inspector, in seeking to identify the informer, believed to be a postal employe.

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When the West was "wild and woolly" with killers of the sort that now live in New York and Chicago, frontier towns had their "Boot Hill," last resting place of tough gentlemen who were bumped off "with their boots on."

There is no "Boot Hill" today, but gangsters still die with their boots on, as fast as their "number comes up." You see the names of the gangsters above who have been "Public Enemy No. 1" in the past, all "pushing up the daisies now."

Latest "Number One" is Alvin Karpis. The Department of Justice offered a \$5,000 reward last week, for information leading to the arrest of Mr. Karpis. Twice before were such big rewards offered for "Public Enemies"—John Dillinger and "Baby Face" Nelson, both killed by G-men.

A "Number One" gangster worth \$5,000 to G-men, is usually worth much more, DEAD, to rival gangsters. Gangsters fill their own "Boot Hill."

Vanny Higgins, "Joe the Boss" Masseria, Murray Marks, Maxie Greenberg, "Dutch" Schultz, "Legs" Diamond, "Mad Dog" Coll, "Chink" Sherman, Frankie Uale and a hundred others who rose to the top as gangsters were found in a ditch, crumpled up in a telephone booth, or sprawled over a table, dead, FULL OF GANGSTER BULLETS.

"If the G-men don't get you, your gangster-'pals' must" when "Number One" comes up. Alvin Karpis, you are NEXT.

Another Number Is Up



An open grave on "Boot Hill," reserved for Alvin Karpis, latest "Public Enemy No. 1."

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THE KARPIS REWARD

Having tried unsuccessfully for two years to arrest Alvin Karpis, rated now as Public Enemy No. 1, and Harry Campbell, another elusive fugitive, the department of justice has resorted to the device which turned up John Dillinger and Baby Face Nelson — the offer of a substantial reward. In this instance, however, the reward is offered only for information leading to the arrest of the fugitives — \$5,000 for Karpis and \$2,500 for Campbell. There is no bonus for the arrest of the men. Attorney-General Cummings said that the offer of additional rewards for arrests may lead to costly mistakes or to negotiations for which the department can not be responsible. Its agents prefer to investigate information and act on their own judgment and in their own way.

It is noteworthy that although the department has had a substantial sum for this purpose for some years, it has made little use of the plan. It has properly elected to rely on its own agents and the cooperation of state and local peace officers. The notion is that the people should be encouraged to believe that the constituted law enforcement authorities can do the job if properly encouraged by a grant of ample authority and fair treatment as public employees engaged in a hazardous service to the people.

The reward system is not without its dangers. If a standing reward is posted for a specific kind of law violation, there is a tendency to encourage crooks to frame victims in order to procure the reward. And in all kinds of rewards, there is a probability of dissatisfaction over the distribution of the money. Frequently the payment is held up for a long time by claimants resorting to court action for what they believe to be their rights. The various state Dillinger rewards were so involved. However, the plan is much better than the exposure of courageous agents to the dangers involved in an extensive chase, and in most instances it is less costly. If the rewards bring Karpis and Campbell into custody, the department will get nothing but praise for its success.

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**U. S. Agents' Secret Trip
Reported Hunt for Karpis**

Boston, Mass., April 24.—(AP)—
Agents of the federal bureau of investigation returned here today after a mysterious expedition, reportedly in search of Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1. Seven agents, heavily armed, left suddenly on an undisclosed mission.

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The Boston Globe Saturday, April 25, 1936

G-Men Start Wild Rumors By Innocent Shooting Trip

Deny They're Hunting Karpis or Hot Money As They Go Out For Practice at Target

Declaring inaccurate rumors that G-men here were on the trail either of Alvin Karpis, rated as Public Enemy No. 1, or of "hot money," Clarence D. McKean, chief G-man in New England, explained yesterday that his men, who aroused comment by leaving the Federal Building yesterday armed to the teeth, had only gone out for rifle and machine-gun practice.

Such practice, McKean said, is compulsory each month under the orders of J. Edgar Hoover. He expressed the belief that Karpis is not in New England and would not come to New England to hide. His men were not working yesterday on the Chelsea City Hall \$12,000 payroll robbery, or any other bank robbery, he declared.

A late check last night indicated most of the G-men had returned from their "rifle practice."

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G-Men Go Gunning, but Not for Karpis

Nine agents of the Department of Justice left Boston headquarters yesterday for practice on the gun range at Camp Curtis Guild, Wakefield, and not to seek Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, it developed today.

Reports at the Federal Building indicated the two carloads of G-men, carrying rifles and revolvers, had started a hunt for the gangster, and a false report from the camp said the agents were not on the range.

It was learned today that the agents arrived at Camp Curtis Guild at noon yesterday and practiced on the rifle and revolver ranges until 2.30, when they returned to Boston.

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Denies G-Men Hunting Karpis, Lindy Ransom Cash In New England

Reports of Armed Federal Agents 'Gunplay' Explained As Practise Shooting on Rifle Range

BOSTON—(AP)—Excited reports that federal agents armed with sub-machine guns were engaged in a state-wide hunt for Alvin Karpis, the Lindbergh ransom cash, or the gunmen who recently held up the Chelsea city hall, brought a smiling denial Saturday from Clarence D. McKean, New England head of the department of justice.

It was true, he admitted, that three carloads of heavily armed G-men left the federal building Friday, and that a lot of shooting followed during the day.

Gunplay On Range

But all the gunplay took place at the rifle range of Camp Curtis Guild in Wakefield, with not a desperado in sight.

In a statement putting at rest rumors circulating during the past two days, McKean said:

"That story about the Lindbergh ransom money is absolutely untrue. It is just about as half-cocked as those Karpis stories Friday.

"No report has come to my office about Lindbergh ransom bills being passed in Massachusetts, and it would certainly come here if such a condition existed.

Banker Adds Denial

"My men were going on the rifle range for target practice. That is all. They were not and are not working on any case involving Karpis or the Lindbergh ransom money."

McKean's denial followed a statement by Roy A. Young, president of the Boston Federal Reserve bank that no gold notes of the Lindbergh ransom money had gone through the reserve bank here, as they would if passed in any New England

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'MEEK' SLAYER ONCE FREED ON BENCH PAROLE

Nation Posts \$5,000 Reward
For Gangster.

Oklmulgee county citizens got food for thought from a St. Paul Minn., federal grand jury's indictment of Alvin Karpis for participating in the \$100,000 William Hamm jr. kidnaping, followed by a government offer of \$5,000 reward for his capture.

For five years ago Karpis, now the nation's No. 1 fugitive from justice, pleaded guilty to a robbery charge in Okmulgee county superior court, and might well have been in the McAlester state penitentiary since.

In 1931 he appeared before J. Harry Swan, then superior court judge, at Henryetta, charged with looting a jewelry store.

A Meek Prisoner

No snarling, gun-blasting killer was the 22-year-old Lithuanian as he stood with servile expression before the bench. He meekly pleaded guilty, but offered to return part of the loot and to be a model citizen. He pointed also to his matchless deportment while held three months in the local jail.

Swan sentenced Karpis to four years imprisonment at McAlester—and forthwith gave him a bench parole.

He told Karpis to report regularly to M. M. Alexander, an Okmulgee attorney. Karpis humbly promised to do so, and promptly forgot about it.

Karpis left court to lead a band accused of killing at least five persons, taking half a million dollars in machine gun robberies, and kidnaping Edward G. Bremer and William A. Hamm for a total loot of \$300,000.

Had Criminal Record

At that time Judge Swan had these things before him upon which to base his parole: Karpis's willing guilty plea, his offer to return part of the \$10,000 jewelry loot and his jail deportment.

On the other hand, investigation would have shown that Karpis was no first offender. Born in Canada, the son of Lithuanian immigrants, Karpis came to Chicago as a child with his parents. His father is still a janitor there.

Karpis became a juvenile delinquent, then a minor hoodlum in the Chicago underworld. He lived for a time at Topeka, Kan., where a sister resided.

Before long he was nabbed in a burglary and sent to Hutchinson, Kan., reformatory for what was intended to be a four-year stay.

Escaped in 1929

But Karpis, not yet of legal age, had other plans, and in 1929 he escaped. Recaptured in Kansas City as a suspected auto thief and safe-cracker, he was considered too dangerous to return to the reformatory and was sent to the state penitentiary at Lansing, Kan.

Shortly after his release he broke into the Okmulgee jewelry store. Tulsa police learned where Karpis, and his new companion in crime, Fred Barker were staying. They descended on the Tulsa apartment, but Karpis and Barker blazed their way to freedom only to be caught later.

Paroled by Judge Swan, Karpis promptly celebrated his freedom by going to West Plains, Mo., where he killed the sheriff, R. C. Kelly. Since that first murder Karpis has never been in the hands of the law.

"Doc" Barker Associate

His companion in the slaying was Arthur "Doc" Barker, brother of Fred Barker and son of Kate "Ma" Barker. All three became members of Karpis's gang; all three figured in the Bremer kidnaping.

The price the Barkers paid for their share of the \$200,000 ransom in the Bremer case: "Doc" Barker, captured, sentenced to life at Leavenworth. "Ma" Barker and son, Fred, killed by G-men in a Florida shack to which brother and son "Doc" himself guided them. But that was years after the gang was formed.

"Doc" Barker and Karpis made a good team. They had something in common. Both were paroled Oklahoma convicts. Barker had won his parole from Gov. William H. Murray.

Murray had these facts upon which to give Barker liberty: In 1922 Barker and a gang of thugs descended on St. John's hospital, then under construction at Tulsa, with the design of robbing the safe. During the robbery they killed the night watchman.

Under Life Sentence

A Tulsa jury sentenced Barker to life, and the criminal court of appeals upheld the sentence.

After tasting the blood of the Missouri sheriff, Karpis and Barker, after picking up a new member of the gang, went to Topeka, where they staged an all-night reign of terror at the home of Don Hassebrook, teller of the National bank of Topeka, from whom they sought keys to the bank.

Other crimes charged to the gang included:

Murder near Webster, Wis., of A. W. Dunlop, father-in-law of the Barkers and second husband of "Ma" Barker.

Murder of three persons in a \$20,000 robbery of the Third Northwestern National bank, Minneapolis, Minn.

Two Policemen Slain

Murder of a policeman in a \$30,000 robbery of a South St. Paul pay roll.

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successful robbery of a federal reserve messenger in Chicago.

Robbery of the Union State bank, Amery, Wis., \$46,000.

Robbery, First National bank, Brainerd, Minn., \$32,000.

Robbery, National Bank and Trust Co., Sioux Falls, S. D., \$50,000.

Robbery, First National bank, Mason City, Iowa, \$52,000.

Karpis has always had a weakness for women. The famous "woman in red" brought death to John Dillinger, and a betraying woman may yet be the means of bringing down Karpis.

Karpis brought shame to a young wife at Tulsa. When she filed suit for divorce last autumn, the business school she was attending was horrified to learn her identity, dismissed her just as she had hopes of a job.

Because of two "molls" they acquired with bank robbery money Karpis and "Doc" Barker were almost captured in Cleveland in September, 1934. The two women became engaged in a theater brawl and were caught, but Karpis and Barker escaped.

When Karpis and Raymond Campbell blazed their way through a police cordon in Atlantic City in January, 1935, a woman was found in the Karpis room.

One by one the members of the Karpis gang have fallen beneath the guns of G-men or have gone to federal prisons. Now Karpis is practically the only top-notch, roving killer left of the terrorizing gangs which haunted the middlewest for five years.

Karpis's time will come, of course. There will be a burst of gunfire on a street in Chicago, an apartment in St. Paul, a grog shop in Florida or before a bank in Indiana, and the riddled body of Raymond Alvin Karpis, plus nine aliases, will move no more.

Nation's Quarry



AT LARGE—Above is Alvin Karpis, the nation's current No. 1 public enemy, on whose head the government has placed a \$5,000 reward. And below is J. Harry Swan, former Okmulgee county superior court judge, who at Henryetta five years ago heard Karpis plead guilty to looting a store, sentenced him to four years in prison, and then paroled him.

THE MOBILE REGISTER,
Mobile, Alabama,
April 26, 1936.

G-MEN SHOOT—TARGETS

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Latest News Flashes

Piquett Loses Conviction Appeal

Louis Piquett, attorney for the slain gang leader, John Dillinger, lost today in the Supreme Court his appeal from a two-year prison sentence and \$10,000 fine imposed for conspiracy to harbor and conceal Homer Van Meter, Dillinger henchman. The court refused to interfere with a decision of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, which approved Piquett's trial in a Chicago Federal court and the penalties.

\$46,000 Train Robbery Laid to Karpis

CLEVELAND (P).—Assistant United States District Attorney Frank Weideman swore out affidavits today charging Alvin Karpis, national public enemy No. 1; his pal, Harry Campbell, and three others with the \$46,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, train robbery. The affidavits will form the basis of warrants containing the specific charge of robbing the mails, he said.

Robbers Loot Jewelry Store of \$15,000

LIMA, Ohio (P).—A gang of robbers, who raided the Kays Jewelry Store here March 19, paid a return visit today and escaped with jewelry and cash valued by the store manager at \$15,000 after an exchange of shots with Patrolman Ed Swancy.

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Karpis, 4 Others Charged With \$46,000 Raid

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OHIO WANTS KARPIS

Public Enemy No. 1 Named as
Leader in 'Wild West' Holdup

By The United Press
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TRAIN ROBBERY LAID TO KARPIS

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U. S. Accuses Four Others in Ohio Robbery

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The robbery occurred last Nov. 7. Six men, armed with machine guns, held up an Erie road train and obtained \$34,000 in currency, and \$12,450 in securities. The robbers tied up the engineer, fireman, three mail clerks and several spectators, picked two men to carry mail pouches and forced the two to put the pouches in a waiting automobile.

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Chance for Karpis-Baggers

Those on the lookout for some easy money may reap the neat sum of \$5,000 by bringing in Alvin Karpis, who has been the current Public Enemy No. 1 for a good deal longer time than is ordinarily allotted those who achieve that exclusive designation.

Probably there won't be any danger of getting crushed in the rush. The ordinary fellow probably would be glad to give more than \$5,000, if he had it, to get rid of Bro. Karpis should he ever find this gun-wielding gent on his hands. But Karpis will get his sooner or later. Public enemies don't stay indefinitely in circulation.

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**Warrant Names Karpis
in Ohio Train Robbery**

CLEVELAND, April 27.—(U.S.)—Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, today was charged with leading the \$46,000 Garrettsville, O., mail train robbery in a warrant issued by Emerich B. Freed, United States district attorney. Named as Karpis aids in the "Wild West" holdup Nov. 7 were Harry Campbell, John Brock, Fred Hunter and a John Doe. Grover Keady, of Tulsa, Okla., already is in jail charged with participation in the robbery.

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WARRANTS LINK KARPIS IN HOLDUP

Gangster Sought in Train
Holdup Near City

Warrants charging Alvin Karpis, notorious gunman; his partner, Harry Campbell, and three others with the \$46,000 robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, O., Nov. 7, were issued today by Emerich B. Freed, district attorney here.

Frank Wiedemann, assistant district attorney, had held several conferences with Sylvester J. Hettrick, postal inspector, before the warrants were issued. John Brock, Fred Hunter and Sam Doe are the others named.

It was learned that one of the men named in the warrants is held in jail near Cleveland and has made sworn affidavits that Karpis and Campbell led the machine gun gang that lined up passengers and forced the Erie train crew to hand over a payroll from Cleveland.

A reward of \$2000 for each man named in the warrants was posted by the Postoffice Department. Grover Keady, 43, who was brought to Cleveland Feb. 26 from Tulsa, Okla., as a suspect in the robbery, is held at County Jail in default of \$50,000 bond. He also is reported to have named Karpis and Campbell as leaders of the robber gang.

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Sulzmann Pat On Home Rule

A reported gambling place next to Warrensville Heights school may continue to operate without danger of interference by Sheriff Sulzmann, he said today.

"My home rule policy is still in effect and will continue as long as I am sheriff," he said when the place, known as Blossom Downs, was called to his attention.

Protest from the suburb's Parent-Teacher association and school board flared into open resentment when it became known a short time ago that gambling was going on so close to the school.

Karpis Arrest Ordered Here as Pal Talks in Ohio Train Robbery

Warrants for the arrest of Alvin Karpis, the nation's most notorious fugitive, charging him and four members of his gang with the \$46,000 Garrettsville, O., train robbery last Nov. 7, were issued here today by Assistant U. S. District Attorney Frank Wiedeman.

This sensational development followed revelation that one member of the Karpis gang, being held incommunicado in Youngstown, had made startling revelations to postal inspectors.

The five warrants were issued following a hurried conference between Wiedeman and U. S. District Attorney Emerich B. Freed. They were immediately turned over to Postal Inspector Sylvester J. Hettrick, who, in company with department of justice men, left the Federal building for an unannounced destination.

Rumors were current in the district attorney's office that the whereabouts of Karpis was known, and that his arrest was imminent.

Warrants Name Four

Other warrants issued at the same time for the machine gun train bandits named the following men:

HARRY CAMPBELL, alias Dave Campbell, alias George L. Martin and alias George Summers.

JOHN BROCK, alias T. F. Evans, alias Harold Johnson.

FRED HUNTER, alias Fred King, alias Harold King, alias Fred Harris.

JOHN DOE, alias Sam. (Real name not known.)

Wiedeman and Freed said the four men were "all henchmen of Karpis," who became Public Enemy No. 1 with the death of John Dillinger.

"Karpis directed and led the robbery," Wiedeman said. "Campbell and the others took part. Witnesses to the robbery have identified pictures of the men for whom warrants have been issued."

Offer \$2,000 Reward Each

A reward of \$2,000 for the five named in the warrants today will be posted in postal stations throughout the nation, Wiedeman said.

An additional reward of \$5,000 for Karpis has been offered by the department of justice. He is also wanted for several murders and the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Karpis was a former confederate of Kate (Ma) Barker and her notorious sons, Fred and Arthur (Doc). They formed the Barker-Karpis gang in 1933 during a reign of terror and kidnapings.

Federal agents here would not disclose the name of the man who gave the information that led to today's warrants, but officials in Youngstown revealed that he was Brock, one of those for whom the warrants were issued.

Nabbed 10 Days Ago

Brock was arrested in Youngstown 10 days ago, and has been held there in secrecy since.

The gang, armed with sawed-off shotguns, automatic pistols and a machine gun, took mail pouches containing \$34,000 in currency and \$12,450 in securities, from Erie railroad train No. 626 when it stopped at Garrettsville, en route from Cleveland to Pittsburgh.

It had been rumored from time to time that Karpis might have been involved in the drab robbery, but not until today was his name, and his gang definitely linked with it.

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KARPIS GANGSTERS HUNTED HERE

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HARRY CAMPBELL
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LOCAL SUSPECT ADMITS PART IN \$46,000 THEFT

**Implicates Gang in
Mail Robbery at
Garrettsville**

**U. S. BOOSTS REWARD
FOR KARPIS' CAPTURE**

**Postal Department Offers
\$2,000 in Addition to
G-Men's \$5,000**

Harold Johnson, held in county jail here and charged with the Alvin Karpis gang with the \$46,000 Garrettsville train robbery Nov. 7, has named Karpis, Harry Campbell, chief lieutenant of Karpis, and two other men as companion bandits.

News of Johnson's confession came as it was believed federal agents have been hunting Karpis near Youngstown.

Assistant U. S. District Attorney Frank Weideman of Cleveland says Johnson signed affidavits charging Karpis, Campbell, Fred Hunter, alias Harold King, alias Fred Harris, and John Doe, alias "Sam," with robbing the mails.

Report Johnson Confesses

Johnson also has admitted that he was one of five machine gunners, led by Karpis, America's No. 1 public enemy, in the mail robbery, federal agents say.

Weideman would not reveal details of Johnson's reported confession, but he said the affidavits were signed after postal authorities conferred with the district attorney's office. The district attorney's office was notified by Sylvester J. Hetrick, postal inspector, of Cleveland, who has been working on the case since the robbery.

Postal authorities Monday posted \$2,000 rewards for the capture of Karpis and his three henchmen. J. Edgar Hoover, head of the G-men, a week ago offered a \$5,000 reward for Karpis and \$2,500 for Campbell.

It is known that federal agents

Johnson Arraigned

Johnson was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Morgan here after his arrest, but the arraignment date was not divulged. He was committed to county jail after the arraignment.

Morgan would not divulge the nature of the charge filed against Johnson here, although he said the charge placed against him in Cleveland will supercede the one here.

Johnson's arrest was shrouded in secrecy, it is believed, because federal agents hoped to arrest Karpis and Campbell.

Both Morgan and Deputy U. S. Marshal Matthew Wansach have refused to divulge any information on the Johnson case.

Johnson, also known as John Brock and T. F. Evans, gave his age as 34 and address as North Jackson, when lodged in county jail here. He has brown hair, blue eyes, and a fair complexion.

Travener Out of Town

H. W. Travener, postal inspector who has been working on the case since the daring daylight train robbery, was out of the city today. It was said he could not be reached by telephone. Members of his family would not say where he was, but said he would be back tonight.

Meanwhile, it was learned that postal inspectors from Cleveland may visit Youngstown in connection with the Johnson case. It was not known when they would arrive.

In the Garrettsville robbery, six armed bandits held up the train in mid-afternoon, threatening the engineer, fireman, three mail clerks, and several spectators with machine guns. A single shot was fired inside the mail coach, striking one of the clerks on the forehead.

Two of the men were forced to carry mail sacks to an auto in which the robbers made their escape. Loot was \$34,000 in currency and \$12,450 in securities.

The robbery was quickly executed, and mail clerks said the bandits apparently knew what they were after.

Warren police today said that Hunter is a former Warren man and has a police record. They said that 15 years ago, while being held in the Trumbull County jail on an automobile theft charge, he attempted to dynamite his way out of the building. For this he served a term in the Ohio Penitentiary.

They said that both Hunter and his brother were known as expert marksmen and that his brother was killed in a gasoline station gun battle several years ago.

Weakens Case Against Keady

On Feb. 26, Grover (Burhead) Keady was brought to Cleveland from Tulsa, Okla., and charged with participating in the holdup. At that time, postal inspectors said witnesses to the robbery tentatively identified him as a suspect. He is being held at Cleveland, but federal authorities indicated the new affidavits have lessened the case against him.

Today's charges added to a long list for Karpis. He is wanted in connection with the Edward G. Bremer \$200,000 ransom kidnaping in St. Paul, in January, 1934, and for several killings.

Campbell came to public notice in January, 1935, when he and "Old Creepy"—as Karpis is known in the underworld—shot their way out of a police trap in Atlantic City, N. J.

The pair abducted Dr. H. H. Hunsicker, an Allentown, Pa., physician, held him captive 25 hours, released him near Akron, and continued their flight into Michigan in Hunsicker's car, which later was found abandoned.

KARPIS RUMOR UNSUBSTANTIATED

Entire Staff Professes Not to Know What's Up

A dozen Federal agents from the local Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, all heavily armed, left the Federal Building on an unannounced mission early this forenoon, it was reported in the Federal Building today.

Only the office staff of secretaries remained behind in the Boston headquarters on the 10th floor of the Federal Building, and without exception, the members of the staff professed complete ignorance of the job which called for the unusual activity of the G-men.

Rumors suggesting that Alvin Karpis, rated as Public Enemy No. 1 by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Bureau of Investigation, might have been traced to Boston flew around the Federal Building, but were entirely unsubstantiated by any definite information.

It was learned that the cabinets

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in the Federal agents' headquarters where their submachine guns and other weapons are normally stored were empty this noon. The group were seen leaving the building, led by McKean, chief of the Boston division of the Bureau of Investigation. They piled into three cars and sped off.

Chelsea Rumor

It also was rumored about the Federal Building that the G-men were ready to break the Chelsea City Hall robbery of March 31 when three gunmen slugged a police officer and escaped with \$16,138 in cash taken from a bank messenger.

The G-men entered the case because the bank messenger still had custody of the funds and was employed by the Broadway National Bank, a member of the Federal Reserve system.

In a talk before Chelsea Lodge, K. of P., a week and a half ago, Clarence McKean, chief of the local G-men, assured his audience that he was confident the City Hall robbery would be solved soon.

The Alvin Karpis rumors arose naturally following a report published last week to the effect that G-men had received a tip that Karpis might be heading for a hideout he is believed to maintain in New England.

In N. E. Several Times

His long career of crime, which Federal men say includes the kidnapping of William A. Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer, has never touched New England, so far as is known, although Karpis is known to have been in this section of the country several times.

Last August, for instance, he was reported to have hidden out in New England, while attending the race meeting at Saratoga, N. Y. Federal agents have trailed Karpis back and forth across the continent, sometimes, as at Atlantic City, a year ago last January, getting close enough to Karpis and his gang to exchange shots with them.

Boston police officials professed ignorance of any fresh development in the relations of the law and the underworld to call for the unusual activity of the G-men today, and the Chelsea police said they were aware of no impending break in the City Hall robbery.

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Offers by Cummings.

Attorney General Cummings offered \$5,000 for Karpis leads and \$2,500 for Campbell tips last week.

The inspection service said yesterday it has been working closely with the Federal Bureau of Investigation since Karpis and Campbell were named as leaders of a gang which recently robbed a train at Garrettsville, Ohio.

The bureau of investigation wants Karpis and Campbell for the kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul, Minn., banker on January 17, 1934. Karpis is also charged with the earlier kidnapping of William A. Hamm, jr., St. Paul brewer.

Karpis-Barker Gang.

Both kidnappings were charged to the Karpis-Barker gang. Within the past two years, however, seven leaders of the gang have died; the remainder—except Karpis and Campbell—are in jail.

Post office inspectors joined Federal agents in a recent raid on a farmhouse near Hot Springs, Ark., from which the "Number 1" fugitive had escaped just before their arrival.

Kidroy P. Aldrich, chief inspec-

tor of the Post Office Department, said his service has found the reward system an effective weapon in capturing dangerous criminals who attack post offices and mail trains.

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GOVERNMENT HIKES PRICE UPON KARPIS

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The inspection service offered \$2000 for information resulting in the arrest and conviction of Karpis and another \$2000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of his companion, Harry Campbell. Attorney General Cummings offered \$5000 for Karpis leads and \$2500 for Campbell tips last week.

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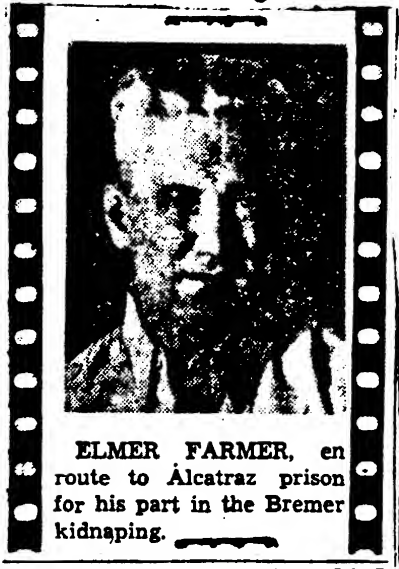
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St Paul Dispatch



St Paul Daily News

Sawyer, Farmer, Weaver Are Sent To Alcatraz

Harry Sawyer, finger man in the Edward G. Bremer \$200,000 kidnaping, has been transferred to Alcatraz federal prison. William Weaver and Elmer Farmer, also convicted as Bremer kidnapers, also were among 10 men transferred from Leavenworth to Alcatraz.

Sawyer and Weaver were sentenced to life imprisonment and Farmer to 20 years.

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St. Paul Daily News
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REWARD FOR KARPIS RAISED TO \$7,000

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This became known when it was revealed Karpis is being hunted by United States postal inspectors as well as justice department operatives.

The justice department offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of Karpis who is wanted as the ringleader in the William Hamm and Edward Bremer kidnappings in St. Paul, Minn.

The postoffice seeks Karpis in connection with the robbery of a mail car at Garrettsville, O. Postal inspectors are empowered by law to pay up to \$2,000 for the arrest and conviction of those wanted in postal mail robberies.

The department said that the exact amount of the reward was dependent upon the character of information provided and whether the suspect was ultimately convicted.

In the Karpis case it was thought likely that the full reward would be paid if he was apprehended and convicted.

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There are dangers, of course, in the reward system. It encourages crooks to frame victims in order to win the rewards. And in all kinds of rewards there is the chance of dissatisfaction over distribution of the money. It means compromise of a sort with underworld channels, although probably the ends of justice are served by using a gangster to catch a bandit.

However, it is better to pay rewards than to expose courageous G-men to the dangers of an extensive chase after fugitives, and in most instances it is less costly. Some may feel that rewards are an open admission of the ability of the government to cope with desperadoes, but if Karpis and Campbell are taken as a result of the prizes offered for their apprehension, the department of justice will get nothing but praise for its success.

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KARPIS CALLED BOSS OF NOV. 7 TRAIN HOLDUP

Cleveland, April 27 (AP).—Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, was accused officially today of being the master mind and leader in the \$46,000 Garrettsville, O., train robbery on Nov. 7 last.

Assistant U. S. Attorney Frank Weideman swore out affidavits charging Karpis, his pal, Harry



Alvin Karpis

Linked to another robbery.

Campbell, and three others with holding up the Erie Railroad train with machine guns and obtaining \$34,000 in currency and \$12,450 in securities.

The robbers lined up the engineer, firemen, three mail clerks and several spectators. They picked two men to carry mail pouches and forced the two to put the pouches into a waiting automobile.

Weideman's affidavits will form the basis of warrants containing the specific charge of robbing the mails.

"Karpis directed and led the robbery," he said. "Campbell and the others took part. Witnesses identified pictures of the men, for whom warrants are being prepared."

The gang operates on a national scale, Weideman declared. He added

that one of the five is in custody but declined to specify which, beyond the fact it is not Karpis.

John Brock, alias T. P. Evans, alias Harold Johnson; Fred Hunter, alias Fred King, alias Harold King, alias Fred Harris, and John Doe, alias "Sam," were the others named in the affidavits.

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New York News April 28, 1936

Karpis Captor to Get \$7,000

Postal Service Adds \$2,000 to Rewards Offered by Atty. Gen. Cummings

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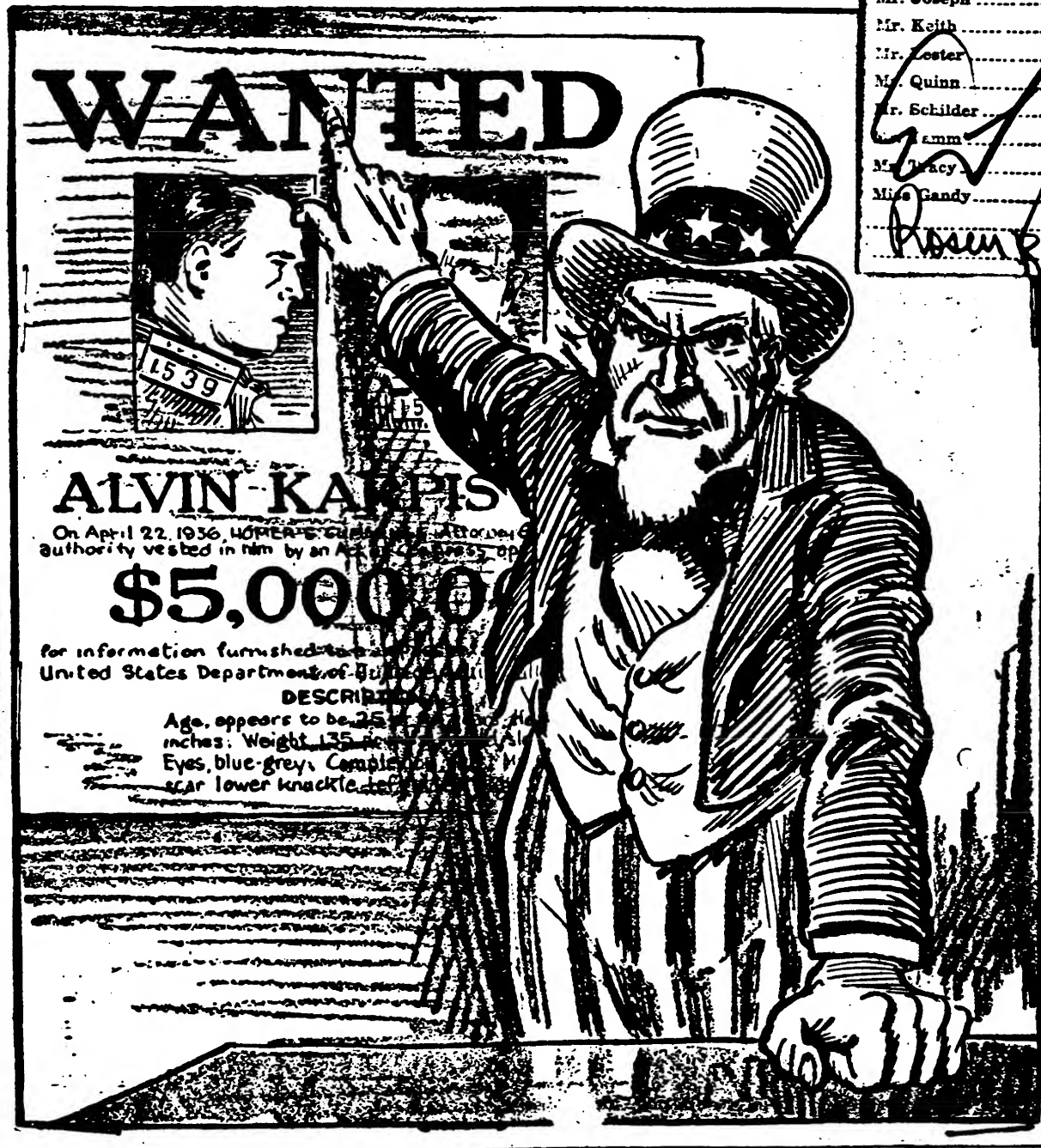
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Elkhart, Indiana.

THE ELKHART TRUTH, TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1936.

PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1

WANTED



ALVIN KARPIS

On April 22, 1936, HOPPER'S Court of Appeals affirmed authority vested in him by an Act of Congress, April 22, 1936, Chapter 121, Section 1.

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for information furnished to the United States Department of Justice.

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Age, appears to be 35; Height, 5' 10"; Weight, 135 lbs.; Eyes, blue-grey; Complexion, fair; Scar lower knuckle left hand.

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THE DETROIT NEWS
April 28, 1936

Karpis' Head Now Bears \$7,000 Tag

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THE DENVER POST
Denver, Colo.
April 28, 1936

PRICE ON KARPIS' HEAD INCREASED

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Karpis' Holdup Role Revealed In Confession

While crack G-men scoured the nation for them, Alvin Karpis, public menace No. 1, and his limping pal, Harry Campbell, stood on a sunlit platform at Garrettsville, O., last Nov. 7, and directed a \$46,000 train robbery with machine guns.

This information is contained in a confession obtained by postal inspectors from John Brock, one of the Karpis gang now under arrest at Youngstown.

The signed confession, unusual in the realm of the tight-lipped underworld, revealed for the first time many hitherto unknown facts about the operations of the notorious Karpis gang.

Guard Against Reprisals

Because of fears of possible reprisal, Brock is being closely guarded in the Youngstown county jail.

Assistant District Attorney Frank Wiedeman will leave for Youngstown late today to ask that a bond of \$100,000 be set for Brock when he is arraigned.

Wiedeman yesterday issued warrants for Karpis, Campbell, Brock, Fred Hunter and a man known only as "Sam," charging them with the train robbery. All of the men were named in the confession.

Brock, breaking the underworld code of silence, said that the gang had slept in a farmhouse between Warren and Youngstown the night preceding the robbery, that they left by auto early the next morning to wait for the train at Garrettsville, and that Campbell and Karpis took full command of the expedition.

Trapped by Securities

Brock was arrested 10 days ago in Oklahoma. He had been traced there, Wiedeman said, through securities stolen in the train robbery, which he tried to cash through a gambling house.

After his arrest, Brock, alias Harold Johnson, was flown back to Bowling Green, O., under the greatest secrecy and then later lodged in the Youngstown jail.

At one point his confession warns government agents that Karpis is a dangerous criminal and a killer.

Other details of the confession are being closely guarded by postal authorities.

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NUMBERS RINGS RUN WIDE OPEN

Operators Readily Make Sales, Plan to Pay Off.

BULLETIN

The county prosecutor will aid city authorities in combating the Toledo gambling situation, especially in the numbers game field, it was learned this afternoon when Thomas Bretherton, assistant prosecutor, conferred with city officials regarding tomorrow's numbers game trials. Information gathered by the county investigators concerning the numbers establishments was given to Harvey Straub, police prosecutor, and members of the vice squad. The county and city prosecutors also conferred regarding gambling laws.

Accepting yesterday's numbers game raids as mere gestures by the police department, gamblers defied authorities again today and resumed business as usual.

Although the numbers game sales and payoffs were halted temporarily by the police visits and arrests, operators readily made sales today and prepared to pay winners—if any.

It was learned today that not only is the numbers game still flourishing, despite impending court action tomorrow, but that other forms of gambling, including dice and horse racing are being carried on quietly.

It was learned today that one of the numbers houses raided yesterday was unable to pay off its winners, the company's sales slips and records having been seized by police. Persons familiar with the numbers situation said it is doubtful if yesterday's winners, if there were any, will ever be paid.

Operators of the numbers game arrested yesterday prepared today for a stiff legal battle in police

court tomorrow when the cases will come to trial.

Even as the gamblers piled their trade openly this afternoon city and county authorities met in a mysterious, closed session.

Harvey Straub, police prosecutor, accompanied by Patrolmen George Eckerman and Fred Moss, vice squad members, was closeted with Thomas Bretherton, assistant county prosecutor, in a conference relative to the numbers game.

None of the officials would discuss the conference, but one admitted the meeting concerned the numbers places. The party visited the treasurer's office before going to the county prosecutor and it is believed they may be checking on owners of property where the numbers games are operated or may have conferred with the county authorities regarding prosecution of those arrested yesterday.

16 Arrested

The raids resulted in the arrest of 16 persons, including Ben Harris, operator and backer of the Superior Number bank, 112 Superior street, and Abe Siegel, reputed operator of the New Deal numbers, 103 Michigan street.

The raids were the outgrowth of warfare which broke out last week between numbers game operators which resulted in six of Harris' agents being slugged and beaten in street brawls in a fight over payoff odds.

The police courtroom and adjoining corridors were crowded with defendants and spectators today when the cases were called for hearing in police court.

Seeks Return of Evidence

A few minutes before the scheduled arraignment before Judge Frank O'Connell, Steve Fazekas, attorney for Siegel, filed a motion seeking suppression and return of all evidence police obtained in the raid on the New Deal establishment.

Patrolman Ted Brassfield, who had obtained much of the preliminary evidence, was called to the witness stand.

He told the court he never entered the building at 103 Michigan street until the raid. In answer to Fazekas' question, Brassfield testified he had no idea what was in the upstairs apartment other than a belief that it was being used as a clearing house.

Brassfield testified the upstairs rooms appeared to have been built for an apartment but were not being used for that purpose now. There were two beds in the front rooms, he said, and neither appeared ready for use. Six chairs and a large table were the only furniture in the room in which the men and two women were found with the money seized, he said. Brassfield testified there were two telephones on desks in the front rooms, too. He also told of the money, adding machines, locked steel box, charts, numbers books and other evidence found in the building by the raiders.

Cases Continued
Judge O'Connell turned the request to suppress and return the evidence taken and ordered the cases continued until tomorrow at 10 A. M. All of the 16 involved pleaded not guilty to the charge of engaging in a game of chance.

Ira Bame represented Harris at the hearing and Morris Britz the operators of the 400 A. C.

Police indicated that more arrests may be expected today. At least one other major operator not arrested yesterday is expected to surrender today to answer to the same charge as those taken in custody yesterday.

Yesterday, following meetings with Prosecutor Straub, Capt. Clarence Fauble, vice and gambling squad head, outlined three raids. One, at Siegel's place, he led himself. Another at Harris' was conducted by three other officers, while the third, at the 400 A. C. Division street and Indiana avenue, was made by the combined squads. Numbers pads and slips were confiscated.

Captain's Hand Cut
At the Siegel establishment, a for-

mer slot machine headquarters. Captain Fauble and Patrolmen Bert Bender, Len Shimman and Clyde Gilley broke in a door to enter the place. Captain Fauble suffered a cut hand when the glass broke. In the cigar store section of the headquarters they found no one, but in an upstairs apartment they found Siegel, eight other men and two women. The women later were released.

As police crashed the apartment, several men sought to escape but were caught by Patrolman Gilley, stationed at a rear door. Police said that in one of the rooms of the apartment they found \$250, mostly in small silver, three adding machines, a calendar and 22 cartons of slips.

As the New Deal raid progressed, Patrolmen George Geisert, Lester Sandusky and Fred Haala visited the Harris place in Superior street. In the numbers game portion of the Harris shop they found Sam Green, 34, of North Twelfth street, seated at a table. They arrested Green and confiscated numbers slips.

Ben Harris, his arm still in a sling because of a recent accident, was in front of the store and watched the arrest. A half hour later the same officers returned to the place and seized Harris, this

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April 27, 1936

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Number 315 Wins Twice

Another of the little ironies of life was demonstrated yesterday shortly after the numbers game raids. Yesterday's winning number in the stock sales number game was 315. Patrolman Ted Brassfield, who purchased slips to gather evidence enough for the raids, wears badge No. 315.

last moved being engineered by Prosecutor Straub.

Raid Fruitless

The afternoon raid on the 400 A. C. was fruitless as officers found the place empty.

Four other persons, at least one of them a salesman for the 400 A. C. group, were arrested later in the evening by Patrolman Brassfield.

The officer had been working under Captain Fauble's orders for several days and purchased numbers slips on three houses before the raids were made. Patrolman Brassfield's purchases were followed through by officers who watched the numbers slips men pick up sales slips and return to their headquarters.

Because of the information gathered by Patrolman Brassfield in his recent activities police were armed with John Doe search warrants on their raids yesterday. Brassfield served three of these warrants on the following men last night: Lutyer Ousley, 42, of John R street, from whom he said he bought a New Deal number; James Hendricks, 50, of John R street, a

New Deal ticket; Pat Wright, 27, of Pinewood avenue, a Superior numbers ticket, and William Hopey, 42, of Indiana avenue, a 400 A. C. FTT (First in Toledo) ticket.

He also arrested Mary Harter, 35, of Arnold avenue, on a "Ruth Roe" warrant, charging he had purchased a ticket from her in her home yesterday morning.

All the prisoners were held at the Safety building and were interviewed by Captain Fauble and Prosecutor Straub.

Only Harris and Green were taken at the Superior numbers place, while at Siegel's those arrested besides Siegel were: Tony Adams, 34, of St. Clair street; Vern Murphy, 24, Michigan street; Joe Harris, 25, Beacon street; Jack Stein, 34, State street; Harry Price, 35, St. Charles hotel, and Robert Cochran, 29, of Michigan street. Harry Potter, 36, and Charles Thompson, 34, arrested in the New Deal raid, were questioned and released. The others, against whom charges were placed, were released on bond.

St. Paul Dispatch
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The Bureau of Investigation wants Karpis and Campbell for the kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, on January 17, 1934. Karpis is also charged with the earlier kidnapping of William A. Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer.

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Targets for G-Men



NO. 1—ALVIN KARPIS
 Tops desperado "wanted" list



NO. 2—WILLIAM MAHAN
 Staged skillful vanishing act.



NO. 3—T. H. ROBINSON, JR.
 Amateur dabbler in big crime.

These three "most wanted" abduction suspects are targets of G-men in a renewed nation-wide hunt, spurred by the reported solution of the William A. Hamm Jr. kidnaping. This crime and the Bremer kidnaping are laid to the shattered Barker-Karpis gang, of which Karpis now is the only one at large, with \$5,000 reward offered for his capture. Mahan is wanted on a charge of abducting little George Weyerhaeuser, Tacoma, Wash., lumber heir. Robinson has evaded pursuit since the 1934 kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll, Louisville, Ky.

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And here, finally, is what an impartial judge, the editor of the New York Daily News, had to say about the "news that wasn't news" from Boston.

Declaring that it regrets having published the "G-Men" story, the Daily News editorial says: "We're Afraid It Was a Fake."

The Boston Evening American agrees with the New York Daily News.

But the Boston Evening American doesn't have to apologize for the "news that wasn't news."

It didn't print it as news.

It denied it as a "dud" and a "myth."

For REAL news, when it is news, read the Boston Evening American.

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WE'RE AFRAID IT WAS A FAKE

In part of the three-star and all of the four-star editions of last Saturday's News, we printed a story from a New England correspondent saying that \$20,000 in Lindbergh ransom bills had recently turned up in Albany and various Massachusetts towns.

Lindbergh Ransom Story Seems False
We are convinced now that the story was a fake, though the New England correspondent still thinks there may be something in it. We are sorry to have published the story.

We mention it in this public manner because we want to make clear that this newspaper does not knowingly or intentionally fake news. We think any newspaper that does fake news is foolish. It is so easy to expose a fake news story, and as soon as the public finds out about it the paper that published the fake loses some reader confidence. Repeat the process often enough, and the paper loses the confidence of all the readers except the natural born and incurable suckers.

We want our readers to know that the news published in this paper is always true to the best of our knowledge. We were hooked on the Lindbergh ransom fake by the fact that the story came in over the wires about 1:15 in the morning, bearing all the earmarks of authenticity. In such a case, the editor in charge has simply to use his judgment, his hunch, as to whether to publish the story or not.

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G-MEN HUNT 'HOT' CASH

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"Hot Cash" and "G-Men" both made headlines in the Boston Evening Globe's "Sports Extra," Friday afternoon, April 24, although the Globe's story prudently characterized the "Lindbergh ransom money" angle as a "rumor." Actually, it was even less than that. It was a pipe-dream! Reporters were guessing. And this time they guessed wrong!

G-MEN 'KARPIS HUNT' IN BOSTON A DUD

Out of the Federal Building a dozen G-men trundled themselves today, toting rifles and sub-machine guns.

Great was the confusion round and about, and many rumors. Well the phones burned and the presses rumbled and editions of Boston evening newspapers—not the Boston Evening American, however—slewed out into the streets with great headlines.

"Dozen G-Men Hunt Karpis in Bay State" was the gist of these great headlines, and the stories went on to say that the G-men had "secret information" that Karpis had been seen in the vicinity and the like.

LITTLE CHECKUP

Now this same tip—a dozen G-Men had left the Federal Building with rifles and sub-machine guns and had driven away in cars came to the Boston Evening American, with the idea suggested that this might be a Karpis hunt. However, as the Boston Evening American has the habit of printing

news and not unsupported rumors, this newspaper did a little checking and discovered the true story of the G-men exodus.

They were out at the rifle range in Wakefield, drilling targets with their rifles and sub-machine guns and having a very enjoyable time FOR SEVERAL EDITIONS

For several editions, the false G-Man story ran in other newspapers and finally Clarence W. McKean, chief of the New England Division of the Department of Justice, summoned the Federal Building newsmen to his office.

With copies of the evening papers spread out on his desk, Chief McKean rebuked the reporters for the other papers and said he was officially denying reports that he and his men were hunting Karpis anywhere in this district.

"The American prints the news," he said, "and there was no news that my men and I had gone after Karpis or had gone anywhere except to the rifle range for practice."

G-Men Myth Blasted by Hoover

Like the music that went 'round and 'round, so did more reports of the activities of G-men today. But, unlike the music, the rumors didn't come out here—or there—or anywhere that made sense.

The Boston Evening American continues its policy of printing NEWS and FACTS. Not RUMORS. Rumors, for instance, like the latest Lindbergh ransom fiction.

And just to prove that it is a good policy, not only from the point of view of the reader, but from the angle of the G-men themselves, Department of Justice officials commended this newspaper for that policy, at the same time denouncing the false stories.

HOOVER DENIES MYTH

From the lips of J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the G-men, came a formal denial of unfounded tales that some \$20,000 in Lindbergh ransom money had been passed in Boston and New England.

"As far as this department is concerned," he said, "the Lindbergh case is closed. The Bureau of Investigation is making no effort to confirm these reports. The case closed with the execution of Bruno Richard Hauptmann."

One Boston paper—the Boston Evening American—refused to play "follow the leader" in whooping up the "G-men" story. In its "Sport Flash" edition of Friday afternoon, April 24, the American definitely dismissed the "Karpis Hunt" day-dream as a "dud," as clipping "A" illustrates. Clipping "B" shows how the Boston Evening American of Saturday, April 25, definitely branded the G-men yarns as myths on the authority of Chief G-Man J. Edgar Hoover, himself.

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NEWS BEFORE IT'S NEWS!
—ONLY IT WASN'T SO

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G-MEN HUNTING KARPIS IN BAY STATE HIDE-OUT

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SQUAD RUSHED
FROM BOSTON

If headlines could make news, here would have been a big story. The Boston Traveler "broke" it in a late edition of Friday, April 24. Except for the fact that it wasn't so, it was a crackjack yarn. It had a little of everything in it—but truth! "Public Enemy" Alvin Karpis in a Massachusetts hide-out! G-men on his trail! Interesting, but inaccurate!

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LINDBERGH CASH FLOODING STATE

\$20,000 in Gold Ransom Certificates Passed Through Banks
Since Hauptmann Paid Death Penalty—Started Few
Hours After Execution—Crack G-Men Gather Here

Here's how the news that wasn't news looked in the Boston Post of Saturday morning, April 25. "Public Enemy" Karpis had been lost by the journalistic wayside, but "Lindbergh Cash" was in the headlines, and the story—still foundationless—was getting better and better. G-men were still swooping. Massachusetts was still the scene of undercover, federal-agent activity.

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The Atlanta Constitution
April 29, 1936.

REWARD BOOSTED IN KARPIS SEARCH

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Another Number Is Up



An open grave on "Boot Hill," reserved for Alvin Karpis, latest "Public Enemy No. 1."

WHEN the West was "wild and woolly" with killers of the sort that now live in New York and Chicago, frontier towns had their "Boot Hill," last resting place of tough gentlemen who were bumped off "with their boots on."

There is no "Boot Hill" today, but gangsters still die with their boots on, as fast as their "number comes up." You see the names of the gangsters above who have been "Public Enemy No. 1" in the past, all "pushing up the daisies now."

Latest "Number One" is Alvin Karpis. The Department of Justice has offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of Mr. Karpis. Twice before were such big rewards offered for "Public Enemies"—John Dillinger and "Baby Face" Nelson, both killed by G-men.

A "Number One" gangster worth \$5,000 to G-men, is usually worth much more, DEAD, to rival gangsters. Gangsters find their own "Boot Hill."

"If the G-men don't get you, your gangster 'pals' must when 'Number One' comes up. Alvin Karpis, you are NEXT."

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April 30, 1936
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PRISON, DEATH ALTERNATIVES IF THEY STAY

The most sweeping police department shakeup in many years was announced today with a grim incidental warning to the criminal element to stay out of Toledo or accept imprisonment or death as alternatives.

The shakeup brought with it first announcement of a new special investigation squad which will tackle the problem of crime prevention and crime control with almost unlimited authority. Detective Arthur Langendorf will head the new squad.

As Police Chief Ray Allen announced the changes, Inspector Joseph Fruchey gave out a long official statement in which he pledged a new deal of public service in the police

department and said that merit alone will maintain department members in their new posts.

In his statement, first since his promotion, Inspector Fruchey said: "With this reorganization of the detective bureau, I consider this an opportune time to issue a warning to the racketeer and gangster that the heat is still on in Toledo and will stay on. There are just three places for this type of criminal. The first is out of Toledo; the second is in jail, and the third is in the cemetery.

"This type of criminal, the racketeer, gangster and hoodlum, is not the sort to handle with silk gloves. I do not believe in coddling criminals and I do not expect any of the officers under my command to handle them gently.

"We have a good police department which in 1935 received the lowest crime rating for any city of its size, according to figures of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice. It is my aim to maintain this standard.

"There is room, of course, for improvement in this department, chiefly along scientific lines. I would recommend the installation

of a scientific crime detection laboratory which would increase the efficiency of the department and could be installed at a nominal cost. Another improvement which I would recommend and which has been used to a great advantage elsewhere is a modus operandi file of criminals.

"It is my intention as head of the detective bureau to maintain discipline at all times and to expect from my officers courteous attention to the public and its affairs. I will welcome constructive criticism at any time, and earnestly hope for the cooperation of the public, courts and newspapers in an effort to give Toledo a department second to none of its size in the United States."

The new special investigations squad was formed with Detective Langendorf as its head and Detective Robert Fielding, Detail Detective Harry Manson and George Eckerman, patrolmen, as members.

Detective Manson is being recalled from duty at the county prosecutor's office for regular duty in this squad. He will assist the prosecutor only upon call.

To Have Wide Powers

The new squad will have authority to institute and pursue investigations in any field of police work. Other shifts to become effective tomorrow are:

Louis Scarletto, detail detective, promoted to regular detective; Patrolman Manson, promoted to detail detective.

Leonard, Shimman and Bert Bender, patrolmen, transferred from the liquor squad to the detective bureau; George Eckerman, patrolman, from the vice squad to the detective bureau; Archie Best, patrolman, and Patrick Bruen, patrolmen, from uniformed division to the detective bureau.

Forrest Reese, patrolman, from clerk of the automobile squad to membership in the squad; Edward Meeker, patrolman, from robbery squad to clerkship of automobile squad; Henry Bricker, patrolman, from general assignments in the detective bureau to uniformed duty.

Arthur Brown, patrolman, former member of the hoodlum squad under Capt. George Timiney and then transferred to detective duty, returned to uniform duty.

Howell Tice, Donald McGregor and Walter Cook, all patrolmen, assigned to the vice squad.

William Fiske and Edward Kline

transferred from the vice squad to the liquor squad.

To Homicide Squad

Carl Hartung, detective formerly on the confidence schemes squad, transferred to the homicide squad, in which Detective Ralph Murphy remains.

Patrolman Arthur Ness was assigned to the burglary squad which consists of Detectives Earl McBride, Claire Powers, Fred Tank and Walter Bielefeldt, and Detectives Frank DeLora and Chris Brennan were assigned to the robbery squad which includes Detectives Owen Green and Ray Scheets.

Patrolmen Bender, Shimman, Best and Bruen were assigned to the detective bureau on general assignments and Detective James Ford was transferred from the robbery squad to the East Side station.

Makes Statement

Detective Ed Harris, who formerly was on the homicide squad, was assigned to general assignment detective duty in the colored district.

Chief Allen made the following statement in connection with the changes:

"The promotions and changes in assignment made today are in recognition of the proficiency shown by the individuals in their respective lines and to increase the efficiency of the police department.

"These changes and any other positions of command or promotion are premanent only so long as the individuals occupying them apply themselves to their assigned duties."

The shakeup followed closely the opening of an investigation into the operation of the Toledo number games business.

"OUTSIDE, JAIL OR CEMETERY"



There are just three places for the gangster and racketeer type of criminal. The first is out of Toledo; the second is in jail and the third is in the cemetery. This type is not to be handled with kid gloves. That was the message Joseph Fruthey, inspector of detectives, seated, gave today in the police shakeup. Shown with the inspector as he read his threat to the underworld is Detective Carl Hartung, left, new homicide squad member, and Detective Walter Bielefeldt, of the burglary squad.

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NO. 1—ALVIN KARPIS
Tops desperado "wanted" list



NO. 2—WILLIAM MAHAN
Staged skillful vanishing act



NO. 3—T. H. ROBINSON, JR.
Amateur dabbler in big crime

These three "most wanted" abduction suspects are targets of G-men in a renewed nationwide hunt, spurred by the reported solution of the William A. Hamm Jr. kidnaping. The crime and the Bremer kidnaping are held to the shattered Barker-Karpis gang, of which Karpis now is the only one at large, with \$2000 reward offered for his capture. Mahan is wanted on a charge of kidnaping little George Weyerhaeuser, Tacoma, Wash., together with...

KARPIS REPORTED SEEN IN DISTRICT

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Cambridge Man Asserts Autoist Resembled Pub- lic Enemy No. 1

A man resembling Alvin Karpis, America's No. 1 public enemy, has been reported seen in Cambridge, Washington County.

The wheels of State Police machinery were set in rapid motion for a time last night after a motorist had stopped at a gas station in the village for 11½ gallons of gasoline.

George McArthur, proprietor of the station, said he "wrote it on the cuff" when the man told him he had no money with which to pay for the purchase.

"The gas was in the car," said McArthur. "I didn't have much choice."

Mumbling a name and giving a New York address, the mystery man drove off toward the north, remarking he was bound for Burlington, Vt. The license plates of his car, in the A series, had been issued to a resident of Ushers, said State Police.

The resemblance was noticed by Amos Mooney, employe of an adjoining service station. Mooney referred to a published picture of Karpis and said he believed it might be the same man.

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THINKS PATRON WAS KARPIS

Sought Gasolene on Credit
at Cambridge, N. Y.

ALBANY, April 29 (UP)—New York State police despatched a patrol to Cambridge, N. Y., tonight after a gasolene station attendant reported seeing a man he believed to be Alvin Karpis, the nation's public enemy No. 1.

The attendant, George McArthur, told Police Chief Roy Armstrong of Cambridge that the man resembled likenesses of Karpis published in a New York city newspaper.

McArthur said the man displayed a veteran's button and asked for gasolene on credit.

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Boston Post 4-30-36

Man Held in Vermont Not "Enemy" Karpis

C. D. McKean, New England head of the Federal division of investigation, denied today that a man held in Arlington, Vt., was either Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, or William Mahan, mid-western bandit.

The man in custody is Harry Losty, whom Federal agents reported at least fifty pounds heavier than Karpis. Losty, who said he was from Woodside, L. I., was captured by two unarmed constables during an attempted armed robbery of a filling station.

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Two persons were injured when one bandit fired a revolver to cow a score of customers. The bullet, striking a marble-topped desk, sprayed fragments of marble on the victims.

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\$46,000 Holdup Laid To Karpis Gangster

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 1 (I.N.S.)—John Brock, 34, alleged Karpis gangster, was held in jail here today to await action by a Federal grand jury on a charge that he participated in the \$46,000 mail hold-up at Garrettsville last November. Brock was brought here from Youngstown, where he pleaded not guilty at arraignment. He was reported to have furnished postal inspectors the information that led to issuance of warrants naming Alvin Karpis, Brock and three others as members of the mail train-robbery gang.

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Toledo Police Department Talks Business

NEW WORDS are being spoken in the Toledo police department. They are grim warnings to crooks. They tell of reorganization for greater service; for crime prevention; for merit as the sole rating for officers. Their message sounds good to the citizens.

There is only one thing better than talking tough to criminals. That is the habit of treating them rough. The words of the police reorganization plans are good. Now let the police supply the appropriate music by rushing the rogues into cells or out of the city.

Toledoans should not forget the fact that this city in 1935 had the lowest crime rating of any city of its size. Racketeers and hoodlums have been leaving Toledo for three years. A number of them have been given definite numbers and addresses in Columbus and Mansfield. The county prosecutor's office and the city police have worked well together on those tasks.

The fight against the major phases of crime is always the first job for the police. But petty lawlessness must be harassed constantly. The present aggressiveness against the number games is a good sign of the alertness of the force. It should not be discouraged by the recent defeat of its efforts by a city court jury.

Chief Ray Allen has the confidence of Toledoans. He has his assisting officers talking about plans for more scientific crime detection and for more efficient organization. New and aggressive ideas are working in the department. That situation indicates a constructive shakeup is under way. The libel that Toledo is a haven for crooks has been killed forever.

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KARPIS GLEW FOUND BY TIFFIN OFFICIALS

Filling Station Operator Saw
Kidnapers Sunday

TIFFIN, May 1.—Report that Alvin Karpis, kidnaper and bandit, had been in northern Ohio, was given color Friday when C. F. Funkhouser, Tiffin filling station operator, told police he identified a photograph of Karpis as one of two men who visited his station last Sunday.

Funkhouser said he thought nothing of the visit until he saw a photograph of Karpis in the newspapers Thursday. A second man, John H. Fletcher, in the station at the same time, also identified the photograph, police said.

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Karpis' Aid?



HELD IN MAIL ROBBERY. (AP-Wirephoto). Bespectacled John Brock is held in Cleveland, O., charged, with Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, and three others, with the \$46,000 machine gun robbery of an Erie Railroad mail train at Garrettsville, O., last Nov. 7.

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Alvin Karpis Seized In New Orleans by Hoover and G-Men

Public Enemy No. 1 Cap-
tured with Woman and
Another Man; Sped
Away by Plane

NONE RESIST

NEW ORLEANS, May 1
(AP).—Alvin Karpis, Public
Enemy No. 1 of the United
States, was captured tonight at
a downtown apartment build-
ing without the firing of a shot,
by a squad of officers led by
J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the
Federal Bureau of Investiga-
tion.

Karpis, under indictment in the
kidnapings of William A. Hamm,
Jr., St. Paul, Minn., brewer, and
Edward George Bremer, also of
St. Paul, was taken into custody
along with Fred Hunter, 37,
suspect in the \$34,000 Garrettsville,
Ohio, mail robbery, and a woman
known only as "Ruth."

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Put on Plane, in Irons

Karpis, who once boasted he never would be taken alive, also was wanted, among other crimes, in connection with the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelley, of West Plains, Mo., and the sheriff there put in a claim for him only a few minutes after his capture.

Tonight Karpis, manacled and under heavy guard, was placed aboard an airplane which left for an unannounced destination.

(Universal Service received a report the outlaw was bound for St. Paul to stand trial for the \$200,000 ransom kidnaping of Bremer).

Hoover himself made the announcement of the capture of the three persons as they emerged from an apartment building half a mile from the center of the business district. Hoover said:

"They were in an apartment on the first floor of the building and were leaving the house to enter an automobile when the agents surrounded them."

Ends 3-Year Hunt

The prisoners were taken to the Federal postoffice for questioning for about an hour before announcement of their capture was made. Hoover, smiling slightly, said:

"We've captured Alvin Karpis, generally known as 'Public Enemy No. 1,' but not to us."

He didn't say who his department's "Public Enemy No. 1" was.

Then, in the briefest sort of statement he told of the capture which climaxed three years' search from coast to coast and even to Cuba.

The capture was effected so quietly that only persons nearby were aware of the Federal agents' latest success.

Witnesses said that when the three left the house, agents armed with sawed-off shotguns and other weapons stepped to the sidewalk and crisply commanded them to surrender. When they made no

move they were grabbed and rushed from the scene.

Hoover was asked:

"How long has the net been laid for Karpis?"

"For the last two years."

"But how long in New Orleans?"

"Oh, we've known he's been in and out of New Orleans for the last two months and have been on his trail."

"Was Karpis armed?"

"Yes, he had a gun."

Karpis had a Federal price of \$7,000 on his head—\$5,000 offered by the Bureau of Investigation and \$2,000 by postal authorities.

Edward Hoffman, who lives in the house behind the building in which Karpis had an apartment, said he had rented parking space in his yard to the desperado. Hoffman said:

"I saw him three times. He came up to me, did not mention his name, told me he stayed in the corner apartment, and asked if he could keep the car in my yard a few days because he was afraid it would be stolen if left in the street."

'Mild,' Says Janitor

"I said I guessed it would be all right and told him I thought three dollars would be a fair price. He took the bills out of his pocket right then and paid me."

"I didn't pay much attention to the man, seeing him only a few times, and I didn't size him up at all. He seemed all right."

John Campbell, janitor of the apartment building, said he knew Karpis as a mild, pleasant man with a slight impediment in his speech, and only as "Mr. O'Hara."

Campbell said he had talked to him chiefly about fishing.

The janitor said he was burning trash near the side of the building at the time of the arrest. He added:

"I happened to look up and I saw O'Hara standing between two bushes near the curb between me and the corner. He was without his hat and his hands were tied with black cord."

"There was a man on each side of him. One of them had a machine gun and the other had a revolver. I walked over toward where he was and someone said, 'Get back there!'"

"O'Hara" (Karpis) was the first person arrested, the janitor said, and added that "O'Hara" and a woman who posed as his wife were the only two persons living in the apartment house.

The third person "came over every night and talked with them," he said.

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EDITORIAL

AMATEUR SLEUTHS

Once, according to police theory, Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, made a Delaware Valley jump in one night flight. That was after he had been on his way out of a trap in Atlantic City and had with all the fingers of the law stretched indignantly to nab him.

Karpis is still a free man. Last week, he announced a \$5000 reward for information leading to his capture. He may be anywhere in the country. He may be, at this moment, right here in the Valley. Who knows but that he is? He is stopping during his flight to pay a law office west of Upper Black Eddy. He may have organized this section, made initial pots of its people and the fact that police do not catch him, and eventually returned to his own home.

Police tell us it is possible. They say they are to be feared that perhaps humankind have found sanctuary here in the past. It's a last chance, like hunting a rabbit in a haystack, yet we earnestly recommend that readers acquaint themselves with the pictures and descriptions of wanted men that are posted in local post offices. Karpis is the nearest solution.

A popular detective story magazine publishes photographs and descriptions of escaped criminals, reports with amazing frequency the news of captures that have been made. Information supplied by readers. Our purpose is not to scare, or to cast suspicion upon every newcomer or stranger in the Valley. Discreet vigilance seems to be a good idea under the circumstances, however.

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AMATEUR SLEUTHS

Once, according to police theory, Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, made a Delaware Valley farm his one-night hideout. That was after he had shot his way out of a trap in Atlantic City and fled west with all the fingers of the law stretched ineffectually to nab him.

Karpis is still a free man. Last week, the G-men announced a \$5000 reward for information leading to his capture. He may be anywhere in the country. He may be, at this moment, right here among us in the Valley. Who knows but that, in racing thru, stopping during his flight to swap cars a few miles west of Upper Black Eddy, he may have appraised this section, made mental note of its peaceful seclusion and the fact that police do not patrol it, and eventually returned to hide away here?

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Circulars Received In Hunt for Karpis

Circulars advertising \$5,000 reward for information leading to capture of Alvin Karpis, gangster, were received here today from the Justice Department.

Claims for reward that may arise in the search shall be settled by Attorney General Cummings. Karpis' description is given as follows:

Age, appears to be 25 or 26; height, 5 feet, 9 1/2 inches; weigh 135 pounds; build, slender; hair, brown; eyes, blue-gray; complexion, fair; marks, one-inch cut scar lower knuckle left index finger.

A \$2,500 reward is offered in the case of Harry Campbell, 36, native of Pennsylvania. He is reputedly a member of the Karpis gang.

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Bandits Hunted After \$50,000

Bank Haul

Monroe Chase Proves Futile

Armed with a machine gun and revolvers, five bandits held up the Detroit Bank branch at Woodland and Oakland avenues, shortly before 11 a. m. today, and escaped with \$50,000 in cash after firing a shot which injured a man and a woman. Two hours later they were reported sighted near Monroe, Mich., but the trail was lost.

The holdup was conducted with precision, and so speedily that only four minutes elapsed between the time that four of the bandits entered the bank and the time when they left to rejoin their companion, who had remained outside at the wheel of a car.

The injured:

Mrs. Iva Hershey, 226 Englewood avenue, Highland Park. She is in Grace Hospital suffering from shock and injuries to her right hand, grazed by a ricocheting bullet.

Harry Taylor, of Mt. Clemens, injured in his right hand by a flying splinter of marble. The bullet was fired into a marble wall.

The bandits were believed by William Collins, deputy chief of detectives, to be members of a "mob" of holdup men and killers operating in Indiana and Ohio.

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First Bank Holdup in City in 6 Years

It has been six years since there has been a successful bank holdup in Detroit, and more than four years since an attempted bank holdup, Collins pointed out. No known gangs have been operating locally.

The five gunmen are believed to have had a confederate who turned in three false crime alarms a half hour before the holdup. The false reports were designed, apparently, to draw Detroit and Highland Park police away from the holdup scene.

The bank lobby contained a half dozen customers when the holdup men entered, and six employees. The only command of the gunmen was: "It's a stickup; everybody lie down."

The command was punctuated by a revolver shot. The bandits escaped in a tan Chrysler airflow sedan, bearing a license plate X-71298. The plate was reported stolen last March 25 by Harold Mullen, 545 Alter road.

Police notified the Highland Park police, Hamtramck police and the State Police. Cruisers and scout cars from Bethune, Chene, Davison and Petoskey stations were thrown around the district. Collins took personal charge of the investigation at the scene of the holdup. He was assisted by Inspector Harry Schouw and the entire holdup squad.

The hunt for the bandits spread to cottages and garages in the summer colony at Pointe aux Peaux, which is on the Stony Point peninsula, following a report that the bandit car had been seen near Monroe, but it was called off after an extensive

search, the officers expressing the conviction the men were not there.

GIVES ACCOUNT OF HOLDUP

Shortly before 2 p. m., McGraw Station police said they had arrested a man who returned a brown Chrysler airflow sedan to a used car lot at Livernois and Michigan avenues at about the time of the holdup. The man had rented the car from the lot two days ago. The car was being checked for fingerprints and the man's story will be investigated.

Taylor was the first to give a description of the holdup.

"I was at a teller's window paying a gas bill," he said. "Four men came in. They were dark and foreign-looking. One of them had what looked like a machine-gun in his hand. The others had revolvers."

"They said, 'It's a stickup. Everybody lie down.' Two of the men scrambled over the partition dividing the lobby from the tellers' cages.

The partition must be 15 feet high, but they went right over and scooped up money in a white cloth sack.

CHIP HITS HAND

"One of the men watched out of a window. The fourth one ran around toward the back. He fired once, and the bullet hit the marble

counter. A splinter of marble hit my hand, but it didn't hurt much. "They all ran out and got in a car and drove away."

Employees in the bank at the time of the holdup were the manager, Alex W. George, 417 Newport avenue; David G. Thompson, 8755 Bradley avenue, and Lawrence Vigiletti, 11568 Hawthorne avenue, cashiers; Madeline Jones, 50 Waverly avenue, Highland Park, stenographer, and Alex Thompson, 7345 Fenkell avenue, assistant cashier, and Joseph M. Rudel, 581 Harrington avenue south, a teller.

A teletype description of the gunman who fired was: 28 to 30 years old, five feet, six inches tall, 140 pounds, dark complexion, tan checked topcoat. He was called "Dave" by one of the other thugs.

The bandits apparently had prepared their plans carefully. The branch bank is in Detroit, but just across the boundary from Highland Park, at the southeastern edge of that suburb. Three minutes before the holdup, Highland Park police received an anonymous telephone call informing them a drug store was being held up at Florence and Woodward avenues, in the northern part of Highland Park.

RUSE WORKS ON POLICE

The drug store report proved false. Police believe the robbers thought the bank was in Highland Park, and turned in the false alarm themselves to draw Highland Park detectives to the opposite end of the city.

Detroit police received two similar false reports. The first was that a woman had been shot at 4129 Collingwood avenue. The other, reported a few minutes before the holdup, was that a drug store was being held up at Linwood avenue and Glynn Court.

Detective-Sergeant Harry O'Brien, of the homicide squad, interviewed Mrs. Hershey. She did not know there was a holdup until she heard a shot, and felt a pain in her right hand, she said. Then she heard the command to "lie down."

SEEN BY WOMAN

Collins said that a woman across the street, whose name he refused to reveal, saw the bandits leave the bank. They drove north on Oakland avenue, she reported.

Collins said the holdup men missed a large sum of money in the vault. The amount was not disclosed.

Patrolman Ray Stevens, patrolling the beat, was in the bank five minutes before the holdup. He cashed his City pay check and left.

"I saw no one at the time," he said. "I heard the bank alarm when I was about a block away and ran back, but the men had gone."

The alarm was sounded 38 times, District Inspector Louis Berg said.

About six customers were in the bank in addition to the employees, Collins said.

"None of the tellers was near an alarm button," he added, and the alarm was not given until the men left, which was about four minutes after they entered. The holdup men wore no masks or gloves. We are looking for fingerprints."

ATTEMPTED RAIDS

Although the last bank robbery in Detroit was in May, 1930, there have been several attempted hold-ups since then.

The last two bank holdup attempts in Detroit took place in January, 1932. The first was Jan. 6, when Isaac Henry Bolton was shot to death by two officers of Petoskey Station as he fled after an attempt to rob the old Peoples Wayne County Bank branch at Grand River and Montgomery avenues.

The second was Jan. 14, when a "note bandit" unsuccessfully attempted to hold up the teller of a Guardian-Detroit Bank branch at 7875 Jefferson avenue east. The bandit fled when the teller stepped on the alarm button.

The bandit who fired was believed to be the leader.

Descriptions of two of the others, as sent out on the police teletype, were:

1. Between 30 and 32 years of age; 5 feet, 10 inches in height; weight, 145 pounds; light complexion and light mustache; light brown cap; dark blue trousers; black leather jacket; very nervous.

2. Between 30 and 32 years of age; 5 feet, 8 inches in height; weight, 130 pounds; light sweater or jacket; dark trousers; smooth face; dark complexion; light brown cap.

There were no descriptions of the bandit who remained at the door of the bank or the bandit who sat at the wheel of the car.

"IT MIGHT BE" KARPIS

Asked if he believed the holdup was executed by a gang led by Alvin Karpis, long sought as the nation's Public Enemy No. 1, Henry Piel, chief of detectives, said "it might be."

"Two or three weeks ago," he said,

"an informant telephoned me that a gang of bad men was coming into Detroit with a plan to stick up the payroll of the Morgan & Wright Co. here. We checked with that company and found out that they pay by check, but we put several men on guard at the plant and nothing happened."

"This might be the gang the informant told me about. Maybe they found it would be useless to pull the Morgan & Wright job and held up the bank instead."

DOUBT ON KARPIS HINT

From descriptions furnished him, Harold H. Reinecke, head of the Detroit office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, said today, it is not likely that Alvin Karpis, notorious bandit, was involved in the robbery.

Department of Justice agents have been assigned to the case,

Reinecke said. In the event police capture the bandits, they may be tried in either a State or Federal Court. Should Federal agents capture them or bring about their capture, Reinecke said, the bandits will be tried in Federal Court under the National Bank Robbery Act, which covers member banks of the Federal Reserve System.

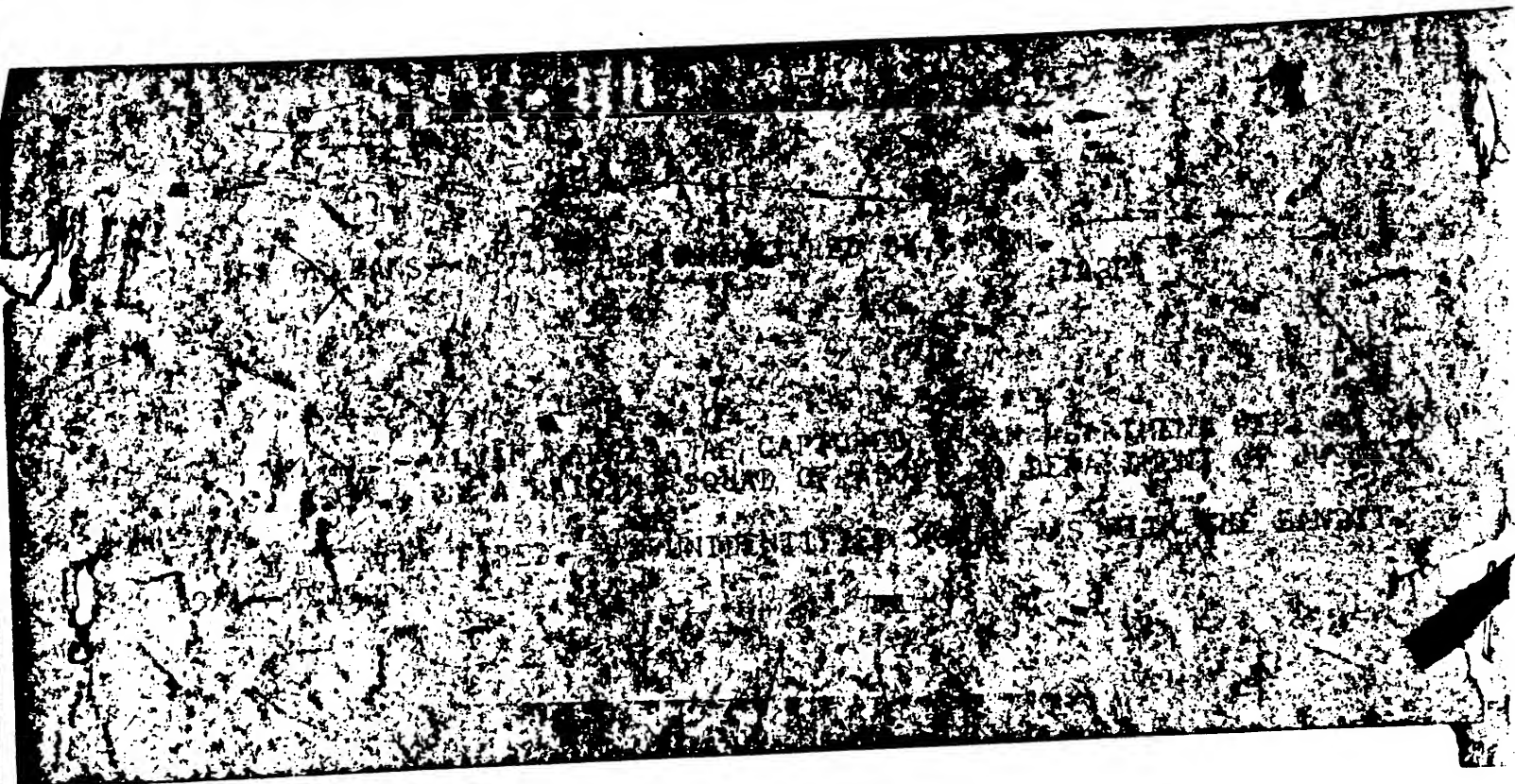
The penalty for armed robbery of a national bank is \$5,000 fine and 20 years in prison. If any lives were jeopardized by the bandits during the holdup, an additional fine of \$10,000 and 25 years additional sentence may be imposed. If the bandits should kill or kidnap anyone in making their escape, an additional fine of \$10,000 may be imposed, or the death penalty may be invoked.

Detectives learned from boys playing near the Detroit Bank branch that the bandit car stopped at the northwest corner of Woodland and Oakland avenues, and then was driven slowly across the street to the bank.

The \$50,000 was in the tellers' cages because today is payday at nearby industrial plants and numerous workmen were expected to cash their checks.

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